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### Our Platinum Sponsors



### Our Gold Sponsors



# Eat, Drink, & Be Scary Gala Ween

Saturday, October 28, 2017

7pm-midnight

*Horror D'oeuvres*

*Pick your Poison Cocktail Bar*

*Costume Contest*

*Music & Prizes*

Reserve if you Dare

661-765-2165

**\$25 dinner, \$10 costume contest**

# Halloween Costume Party





# Taft Chamber Upcoming Events

14TH ANNUAL

## GOLF CLASSIC

SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 14, 2017  
7:30 AM

*Buena Vista Golf Course  
Taft, CA*

# Trout Derby

## 11/18/17

GONE FISHING

**Register today**

## Taft Christmas Parade

December 4, 2017  
6pm  
Center Street

### "Sights and Sounds of Christmas"

Register your group, organization,  
vehicle, or animals

Taft Chamber Presents

## Elf Olympics

December, 16 2017  
*on the* Rails to Trails

SIGN-UP TODAY!  
at  
[www.taftchamber.com](http://www.taftchamber.com)  
For more info, call  
(661) 765-2165

**SANTA RUN** ➡ **10:00am**

**11:00am COSTUME CONTEST**

**Corn Hole Tournament** ➡ **11:30am**

**ALL DAY CRAFT FAIR**

**Ornament Toss** ➡ **12:00pm**

**ALL DAY LIVE BAND/BEER GARDEN**



# MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS

COMMUNITY, CONVERSATION,  
COFFEE & COPS.

Join Us!  
**THURSDAY**  
October 26, 2017  
9 a.m.

**COFFEE WITH A COP**

**FASTrip**

903 Kern Street  
Taft, Ca 93268  
661-763-1790


*See you there!*

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  
Brenda Johns at Taft City Hall  
(661) 763-1222 Extension 12



**PIZZA NIGHT**  
Cancer Crush Fundraiser  
Wednesday, October 18, 2017  
5 - 8 pm  
Pizza Factory, 614 Center St, Taft  
Take out, Delivery, Dine-In

15% of proceeds donated to Taft Relay For Life

POKER  
FUNDRAISER FOR  
THE VFW OF  
MARICOPA

POST 11012

FRIDAY OCTOBER 13, 2017  
TEXAS HOLD-EM  
FROM 5:30PM - 10:30PM  
\$100.00 BUY-IN WITH REBUYS  
50% OF THE PROCEEDS GO TO THE VFW  
50/50  
BYOB / SNACKS AVAILABLE

ADDRESS:  
600 HAZELTON ST.  
MARICOPA

RSVP AND \$100 BUY IN DUE NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 6TH AT 5:00PM

JOHN CRUMP @ (661)747-1569 CRUMPJOHNO@GMAIL.COM  
OR  
CHRIS WINFREY @ (661)623-1831 CHRISWINFREY70@GMAIL.COM

**KERN COUNTY  
VETERANS STAND DOWN**

**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 12, 2017**

**All Veterans Welcome!**

**Stramler Park**  
3805 Chester Avenue  
(Near Sam Lynn Ball park)

**Veterans Court**  
Register at CVAf between  
7/24/17 - 9/20/17  
At 3509 Union Ave.  
(661)323-5637

**Transportation**  
If you live in the Taft/Maricopa area and need a ride:  
Please call John @ (661)747-1569.

**Gates open from: 8:00am to 3:00pm**






# OCTOBER 2017



<b>SUN</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>TUE</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>THU</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>SAT</b>
1	2	3 6pm, City Council	4 NO SIT N' SIP 4pm, Planning Commission Meeting 7:30pm, Industry Night @ Petroleum Club	5	6 6-10pm, First Friday Cruise Night on Center Street	7
8	9 COLUMBUS DAY	10 12pm-6pm Houchin @ Taft Chamber 6pm, Relay for Life Kick Off	11 9am, Sit n' Sip 10am, Cole Karr, Office of Congressman Kevin McCarthy 9am, Taft College Career Fair	12 KC Veterans Stand Down 5pm, Fort Okie Dinner	13 5:30pm, Maricopa VFW Poker Fund-raiser	14 6am, Chamber Golf Classic @ BV Golf 10am, Habitat for Humanity @ Chamber
15	16	17 6pm, City Council	18 9am, Sit n' Sip	19 5:30pm, Taft College Cougar Cookout	20 5:30pm, Habitat for Humanity @ Chamber	21 West Kern Oil Museum Pioneer Days
22	23	24 The Fort Pumpkin Patch (until Friday)	25 9am, Sit n' Sip 4pm, Chamber Board mtg.	26 9am, Coffee with a Cop @ Fastrip, 903 Kern Street	27	28 Fall Into Gardening @ Taft Community Garden 7pm, Chamber Gala-ween
29	30 McKittrick Harvest Festival	31 				

**GalaWeen**  
 Get your tickets for a hauntingly good time—661-765-2165



# NOVEMBER 2017



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 9am, Sit n Sip 7:30pm, Industry Night @ Petroleum Club	2 5:30pm, The Fort Fall BBQ	3 6-10pm, First Friday Cruise Night on Center Street	4 10am, Habitat for Humanity All Night Relay for Life Softball Tournament
5	6	7 6pm, City Council	8 9am, Sit n Sip 4pm, Planning Commission Meeting	9 5pm, Mixer @ United Security Bank	10	11 City of Taft Veterans Day Celebration
12	13	14	15 9am, Sit 'n Sip 4pm, Chamber Board Mtg.	16 5-8pm, Shopping and Champagne, Downtown Merchants	17 5:30pm, Habitat for Humanity	18 6am, Chamber Trout Fishing Derby @ BV Lake

## Holiday Happenings in December

December 1—Photos with Santa & Cruise Night  
 December 1 & 2—Westside Recreation Craft Fair  
 December 4—Taft Christmas Parade  
 December 5—Houchin Blood Mobile & Taft ARC Christmas Party  
 December 7—TC Book Open House & Fort Gift Show  
 December 9—Soroptomist Home Tour & Habitat for Humanity Informational meeting  
 December 10—West Kern Oil Museum Christmas Tea  
 December 15—Habitat for Humanity meeting  
 December 16—Chamber Elf Olympics (featuring Santa Fun Run, Ornament Toss, Corn-Hole Tournament, Vendors & more)



## career & TRANSFER FAIR

Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>  
9am-12pm at Taft College

29 Emmons Park Drive 93268

Come connect with our community  
& promote your opportunities to  
Taft College Students!



9am Set-Up & Networking Breakfast in Cougar Room  
10am-12pm Career Transfer Fair in front of Administration Building

**Space is limited!**

Complete your [online registration](#) by October 1<sup>st</sup> to secure a table!

Questions? [CareerReady@taftcollege.edu](mailto:CareerReady@taftcollege.edu)



# MESSAGES FROM OUR MEMBERS

Y'all Come on Down to  
The Historic Fort



Join Us For

**Bubba's Good Ole Okie Dinner**

Thursday Evenin' – October 12, 2017

Drinkin' & Talkin' – 5:00pm Eatin' & Singin' – 6:00pm

**We'll Be A Eatin' & A Drinkin'**

Country Fried Chicken	Smashed Taters & Gravy
Corn on the Cob & Fried Okra	Good Ole Beans & Cornbread
Country Cobbler	
Iced Tea & Coffee	No-Host Bar

We'll Be A Pickin' & Grinnin' & Havin' A Good Ole Time  
with "Country George & Western Edition"

Advance Tickets: \$20.00 ~ \$25.00 at the Door

Put Me On Yur List \_\_\_\_\_ The Check's In The Mail \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_

Please RSVP By October 5 Checks payable to: The Fort Preservation Society

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Table Sponsors: \$125.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \$250.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \$500.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
\$125.00 / 2 Tickets \$250.00 / 4 Tickets \$500.00 / 8 Tickets

The Historic Fort ~ 915 N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2 ~ Taft, California 93268 ~ 765-7371



**TARGET**  
YOUR BLOOD TYPE

We want to type your blood!

**Taft Community  
Blood Drive**  
Tuesday, October 10th

**DONATE BLOOD AT:**

**Taft Chamber of Commerce**  
**400 Kern Street**  
**12 PM - 6 PM**

Win a \$500 dollar Gift Card to Target thanks to BBS!

When Donating Please Remember To:

- 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

- Wait 1 year after tattoos
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Be at least 16 years old
- Minors must have a signed parental consent form

EAKC Prize Sponsored By:



Call Peggy Smith at 616-2505 to schedule a lifesaving appointment!

8801 Truxtun Avenue  
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri: 9AM-6PM  
Thur: 11AM-7PM  
Sat: 8AM-2PM Sun: Closed

11616 Bolthouse Dr.  
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri: 9AM-6PM  
Thur: 11AM-7PM  
Sat: 8AM-2PM Sun: Closed

**HOUCHIN**  
COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK  
"People Live When People Give"

Call Toll-Free: 1-877-364-5844 or contact 681-616-2505 for more information

## CHEVRON FUEL YOUR SCHOOLS PROGRAM

**EDUCATORS, ADMINISTRATION, TEACHERS—APPLY TODAY!**



Throughout the month of October, \$1 will be donated, up to \$300,000, when consumers purchase 8 or more gallons of fuel at participating local Chevron and Texaco stations in Kern County to help fund eligible classroom projects on [DonorsChoose.org](http://DonorsChoose.org).

Educators are encourage to apply for the funding. The Westside of Kern County has not taken full advantage of this program in the past few years. Chevron is looking to give funds to help enhance the classroom experience for your students. Registration is quick and easy! The impact on the students is huge! You can even track the progress of funded projects in our county at [www.FuelYourSchool.com](http://www.FuelYourSchool.com).

Effective education, including science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), can foster bright young talent for the future workforce. Chevron's Fuel Your School helps fund eligible classroom projects, including STEM projects and Student Life Essential Projects, which may include warm clothing, personal hygiene products and food, and Student-led Projects, which allow middle and high school students to collaborate with teachers and have an active role in developing and submitting classroom project requests.

Through this program, we can help teachers and students in Kern County get the supplies they need for their classrooms. Please take advantage of this great opportunity and help us spread the word about the Fuel Your School program. Visit [www.FuelYourSchool.com](http://www.FuelYourSchool.com) to learn more. To date, Chevron's Fuel Your School program has helped fund 1,499 classroom projects at more than 130 schools in Kern County. Since its inception in 2010, Fuel Your School has helped fund 39,496 classroom projects at 5,134 schools in the U.S.

 The 8th Annual  
Cougar Alumni & Friends

# COUGAR COOKOUT

**10.19.17**  
5:30 - 8:00pm - Taft College Quad  
Catering by Flaco's Tacos

**Call For Tickets**  
661-763-7900

Purchase Tickets at the Taft College Student Services Cashier or the Taft College Bookstore \$30 / \$20 Students & Faculty with ID. Complimentary tickets for Veterans (2 per Veteran).



With Special Recognition of our 2017 Taft College Foundation Community Spirit Award to Ray and Lodema Hatch!!

**Drinks ★ Food ★ Live Music**  
Live music from the The Nightlife Band - Dancing!!!

**Veterans Eat For FREE!!**  
Must Present Valid Id.

## LEARN CPR—SAVE A LIFE Become CPR Certified!

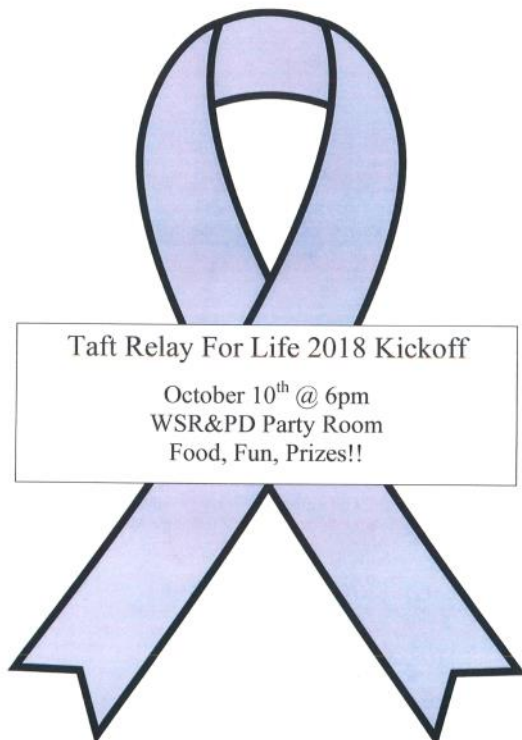
**Where: WSRPD Office**

**When: Sunday afternoons (Time TBD)**

**Cost: \$40 (Includes class & certification card)**

**Who: 16 yrs. +**

**Instructor— Gary Bunk, Orion Safety Services**



**KERN COUNTY  
SOCIETY FOR HUMAN  
RESOURCE  
MANAGEMENT**

**21ST ANNUAL  
SYMPOSIUM & EXPO**

**October 10 & 11  
Bakersfield Marriott**

Tickets Available at [kcshrm.com](http://kcshrm.com)





## 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**President:** Jordan Miller  
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*West Side Health Care District*

**Adele Ward**  
*Taft City School District*

## Thank you to the new and returning members for August 2017.

Maria's Fresh Mex  
R&S Home Furnishings

## Taft College Announces the Class of 2017 Hall of Fame Inductees

Taft College has established a Hall of Fame to recognize individuals who have had a major impact on the College. Taft College Hall of Fame honors former students, teams, coaches, administrators, faculty, staff, and community members who have excelled through competition, made a difference in the lives of our students or been strong supporters of Taft College.

Taft College is excited to share the Class of 2017 Hall of Fame Inductees! Biographical information for the Class of 2017 Hall of Fame inductees will be available on the Taft College website.

**Don Bandy** (Distinguished Faculty/ Outstanding Coach)

**Larry Buttke** (Extraordinary Service)

**John Downer** ( Distinguished Administrator)

**Jody Fischer** ( Outstanding Male Athlete)

**Juanita Perry** ( Distinguished Classified/ Management)

**Brian Wellman** ( Outstanding Male Athlete)

**1985 Track & Field Team** ( Outstanding Team)

Taft College invites you to celebrate and honor the many accomplishments of the inductees with us! The Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony will take place on Sunday, November 12, at OT's Cookhouse in Taft. The awards reception will begin at 5:00 pm, and the program at 6:00 pm. Tickets will be \$50 and the deadline to purchase tickets is Wednesday, November 1st. After the deadline tickets will only be available as space allows; seating not guaranteed after November 1st.

Deadline for nominations to the 2018 TC Hall of Fame Class is Thursday, March 15th, 2018. Nomination forms are available online at [www.taftcollege.edu](http://www.taftcollege.edu) or by contacting [mblanco@taftcollege.edu](mailto:mblanco@taftcollege.edu).

To purchase tickets, please contact Jennifer Edmaiston at [jedmaiston@taftcollege.edu](mailto:jedmaiston@taftcollege.edu) or by calling (661) 763-7829.



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[kathy.taftchamber@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.taftchamber@gmail.com)

**Director of Operations:** Shannon Jones  
[shannon.taftchamber@gmail.com](mailto:shannon.taftchamber@gmail.com)

**Membership Coordinator:** Maddison Rubadeau  
[maddison.taftchamber@gmail.com](mailto:maddison.taftchamber@gmail.com)



Taft District Chamber of Commerce  
**14th Annual Golf Classic**  
 Saturday, October 14, 2017  
 Buena Vista Golf Course, Taft, CA



**6:00am**  
 Registration

**7:00am**  
 Shotgun Start

**Entry fee:**  
 \$500 per team

Registration includes green fees, cart fees,  
 drinks, goody bag, lunch, and participation in  
 the putting contest

**Play format:**  
 4 Person Team  
 (form your own team)  
 Scramble Format

**Lunch and raffle following event to be held  
 at the Clubhouse**

Register online or find additional information  
 at [www.taftchamber.com](http://www.taftchamber.com).  
 No pro participation.

## PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS

### Top Gross & Net Teams win!

*1st Place Gross \$1,600*  
*1st Place Net \$1,600*  
*2nd Place Net \$1,400*  
*3rd Place Net \$1,200*  
*4th Place Net \$1,000*

### Hole-In-One @ Par 3's (Hole #2, 6, 13, 17)

*\$20,000 Cash*  
*plus Bonus Prizes*

### Closest to the Hole

*\$200 Cash on each par 3*

### Long Drive

*\$150 Cash on 7th hole tees*

### Putting Contest

*\$200 Cash*

## Golfer Registration

Player #1: _____	Player #2: _____	Player #3: _____	Player #4: _____
SCGA Handicap: _____	SCGA Handicap: _____	SCGA Handicap: _____	SCGA Handicap: _____
Age 65+ Y/N	Age 65+ Y/N	Age 65+ Y/N	Age 65+ Y/N
Address: _____	Address: _____	Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State Zip: _____	City, State Zip: _____	City, State Zip: _____	City, State Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____	Phone: _____	Phone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____	Email: _____	Email: _____

# Looking to buy a home?

## Habitat for Humanity is here to help!

- Do you live in substandard housing?
- Do you live in overcrowded conditions?
- Are you spending most of your paycheck on rent?

Habitat for Humanity helps qualified individuals and families build and own their own homes.

Habitat is now accepting applications for new Homeowner Partners!



## Homeowner Information Sessions offered

400 E. Kern St. Taft, CA 93268

### SEPTEMBER

9/9 | 10-11am  
9/15 | 5:30-6:30pm

### OCTOBER

10/14 @ 10-11am  
10/20 @ 5:30-6:30pm

### NOVEMBER

11/04 @ 10-11am  
11/17 @ 5:30-6:30pm

### DECEMBER

12/9 @ 10-11am  
12/15 @ 5:30-6:30pm

## New home construction now available:

613 San Emidio St. | 3bd/2bth

233 Calvin St. | 3bd/2bth





TAFT DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND VISITOR'S BUREAU

# 2017 Trout Fishing Derby

**Saturday, November 18, 2017 / 6:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.**

**Lake Evans @ Buena Vista Aquatic Recreation Area**

**2,000 lbs of trout will be stocked prior to the derby**



**More Cash Prizes!!  
ALL Ages**

**Registration forms available at:**

**Taft Chamber of Commerce (400 Kern Street, Taft, CA 93268-661-765-2165)**

**Bob's Bait Bucket (2131 S. Chester, Bakersfield, CA 93306-661-833-8657)**

**Cope's Tackle and Rod (1654 Calloway Dr, Bakersfield, CA 93312-661-679-6351)**

## **PRIZES GIVEN**

**\$1,000 Heaviest Trout Caught**

**\$100 Heaviest Non-Trout Caught**

**Adult Category-1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Place Awards**

**Ages 10-13 Category-1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Awards**

**Ages 9 and Under Category-1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Awards**

### **2017 Taft Chamber of Commerce Trout Fishing Derby Entry Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, the undersigned intending to be legally bound, for myself, my executor, administrators, and assigns, do hereby waive and release all persons and agencies connected with this Derby from all claims for damages arising from, participating in, and travel to and from this event. No refunds will be given.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent/Guardian if under 18 years of age)

***One person per entry form. Make copies if necessary.***



**Mail Check or Money order, with this form to:  
Taft District Chamber of Commerce  
400 Kern Street  
Taft, CA 93268**

### **2017 Trout Derby Saturday, November 18**

**REGISTRATION STUB  
PLEASE KEEP**

**\$20.00 Adult (14 and Older)**

**\$10.00 Child (13 and Under)**

Name	Age
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This is your official entry into the Derby and must be in your possession during the Derby. Keep this portion to verify pre-registration. Read accompanying rules carefully. Questions? Call 661-765-2165

**GOOD LUCK!**

**Wristbands distributed when  
registration is submitted.  
Information on the back.**





Taft Chamber Presents  
**Elf Olympics**



*December, 16 2017*

*on the* **Rails to Trails**

**SIGN -UP TODAY!**  
at  
[www.taftchamber.com](http://www.taftchamber.com)  
For more info. Call  
(661) 765-2165

**SANTA RUN**



**10:00am**

**11:00am** **COSTUME CONTEST**

**Corn Hole Tournament**



**11:30am**

**All day** **CRAFT FAIR**

**Ornament Toss**



**12:00pm**

**All day** **LIVE BAND/BEER GARDEN**