

# San Joaquin Valley Chapter

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July 2015

# **Topic: Investing in Kern County's Future**



Adam Alvidrez is a Community Engagement Specialist for Chevron's local Public Affairs office in Bakersfield. He is responsible for managing Chevron's community engagement programs, statewide education initiatives, and employee involvement programs. He has helped to execute partnerships with education stakeholders, including K-12, higher education, and nonprofits. He has helped Chevron to expand rigorous project-based engineering curriculum from 1 to 27 schools in 4

years, and helped expand STEM programs at BC, Taft College, and CSUB.

Alvidrez brings about 15 years of public service, community engagement and partnership development with various government, nonprofit organizations, and key community stakeholders. The Shafter native holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration and Bachelors Degree in Psychology from CSUB. Adam currently serves on the board of directors for several local nonprofit organizations, including Bakersfield North Rotary.

Adam and his wife, Tiffani (a School Counselor), are proud parents of Alex Ridley, Madison Ridley, Sebastian and Maxwell Alvidrez. Adam enjoys spending time with family, going to little league games, playing basketball, and wine tasting, and attending community events that support various nonprofit organizations.

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# General Meeting Tuesday, July 21 2015

# **Guest Speaker:**

Adam Alvidrez
Community Engagement
Specialist
Chevron

# **Technical Speaker:**

Jeff Nickell Executive Director Kern Adult Literacy Council

## **Location:**

Bakersfield Petroleum Club 5060 California Ave. 12th Floor Bakersfield, CA

## Schedule:

Social Hour: 6:00PM
Tech. Session: 6:30PM
Dinner: 7:00PM
Speaker: 8:00PM

**Price:** \$30.00

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# Topic: The State of Illiteracy in Bakersfield and Kern County.



Bakersfield and Kern County has dismal illiteracy rates. Jeff will discuss why we have this problem and the solutions that are being utilized to make our community more literate. This will include the various programs offered by Kern Literacy Council, its partners, and corps of over 100 volunteers who gave 14,412 hours in 2014.

Jeff is a native of Bakersfield having attended East Bakersfield High School and Bakersfield College before earning his Bachelor's and Master's degrees at California State University, Bakersfield. He has served as Executive Director of the Kern Adult Literacy Council since May

2013 after 18 years at the Kern County Museum and the Kern County Superintendent of Schools.

Jeff has served on several boards including the Kern County Historical Society, Kern County Human Relations Commission, the Bakersfield Racquet Club and acted as a consultant to the African American Network. Currently, he is a member of the Delano Community Alliance, treasurer of the 34th Street Neighborhood Partnership, and a member of the national organization Pro Literacy.

Jeff is a prolific writer and here is a sampling of his works:

Former Contributor and Editor, Historic Kern Quarterly Historic Kern County (editor and photo caption writer)

Written hundreds of articles for Bakersfield Life Magazine and the Bakersfield Californian

Co-author: The Curtis Darling Postcard Collection

Author: Chronicles of Kern County

Co-author: Hard Drivin' Country: The Honky Tonks, Musicians, and Legends of the Bakersfield Sound

Jeff has been married to Katie for 25 years and together they have two children: Courtney (May 2015 graduate U.C. Merced – Biomedical Engineering) & Christopher (sophomore at University of Wyoming – studying Computer Engineering).

# General Meeting Reservations:

We have increased our attendance immensely at the API Dinner Meetings. In order to guarantee your seat and dinner choice (steak, chicken, salmon, or vegetarian) for the meeting, please send in your RSVP to Terra Gaines at (661) 340-8932 or apibakersfieldchapter@gmail.com no later than 4:00 PM on Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.

It is important that we have our head count and food selections turned in to the Petroleum Club the day before the event so the appropriate amount of tables and seating are setup in advance to accommodate the crowd. Your timely response is appreciated.



# **Bakersfield CDF Freedom School - Brief Description of Program**

This is a six-week summer literacy program that runs Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., starting the 4th Monday of every June. Program provides a reading curriculum that is interesting to children and celebrates the ethnic diversity in the country and the world, highlighting the ways people are the same, despite their differences. Program also provides two nutritious meals and one snack per day, Friday field trips, intergenerational mentoring, civic and social activities, and a myriad of other activities designed to promote learning and positive growth experiences:

- The number of children accepted into the Summer Program is 60 or more
- Scholar to teacher ratio is 10:1, with volunteer aides in the classroom.
- Selection criteria for children/families is as follows:
- Child is between 6 and 13 years old and has completed kindergarten
- Family is able to provide transportation to and from school site
- Family must commit to volunteering in the Program at least 1 hour/week
- The approximate mix of children will be 60% underserved/underrepresented (lower SES) children in Bakersfield, and 40% from the general population
- The Executive Director and Project Director will recruit and hire the Site Coordinator and Servant Leader Interns (teachers), starting in February
- The Executive Director and Project Director will identify the children/families for the program via word of mouth, LightWave Education website, and media announcements. Applications will be screened for best fit in Program
- Application deadline for families to apply for Program is May 15th each year

# **Super Prize Raffle:**

We've got another fabulous SUPER Prize valued at over \$200 courtesy of Jim Robert from Global Elastomeric. A BIG thank you to Jim for all he does. Proceeds from the July Super Raffle will be donated to LightWave Education. The June 2015 meeting raised \$1,670 for the API's Scholarship Fund. Bring a few bucks to the July meeting and you could be our next winner.

# 2015 Upcoming Events:

July 21 <sup>st</sup>	General Meeting	
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	
September 15 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fall Fun Shoot	
October 20 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	API Oil Baron's Ball	

Thank you notes from API scholarship recipients:

Dear API Scholarship Committee,
Thank you so much for the
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award and always enjoy
the scholarship dinner. The
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members of your chapter really
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of us. Also the caps are awasand
Thanks again,
Elizabeth Mazmanian

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This month's Technical Speaker session is sponsored by Jim Roberts from Global Elastomeric and Ashley McIrvin from Performance Contracting Inc. Thank you to Jim and Ashley for their generosity. There will be a drawing held for those who come and actively participate in this learning and knowledge sharing event.

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Dear API Scholarship committee, Thank you for the generous scholarship you have provided for me. My family and I are very grateful for your help. Your efforts and dedication do not go unnoticed; I hope to make you proud in my upcoming academic year as well as all my future endeavors. Thank you again for all your support, advice and lovely evening dinner/presentation at the Petroleum Club. Sincerely, Aniella Goldstein San Diego State Univ., 2015 recipien t

Dear Mr. Kedzierski,

Thank you and the entire API organization for granting me a generous scholarship.

It truly means a lot to me and I am your generosity, I am able to further my your enversity. I am able to further my you enough. Once again, thank you.

Sincerely,

Victoria Nguyen

Victoria Nguyen

Dear Matt Kedzierski,

I am writing you to thank you for the generous San Joaquin valley API scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as one of the scholarship recipients.

By awarding me with this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden and allowed me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. I plan to attend BYU and work towards a degree in Petroleum Engineering. Your generosity has inspired me to help others learn and grow in our community. I hope that one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals, like you have helped me.

Sincerely, McKaye Jolley

# Pictures from our June 2015 Meeting:





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# API Casino Night



Saturday, Aug 15, 2015 Date:

Tickets: \$100 each / \$175 couple

6:00 - 7:00 Social Hour

Petroleum Club, 2050 California Ave, 12th floor Location:

7:00 - 11:00 Games and Entertainment

Admission includes gambling chips, hors d'oeuvres, live entertainment, and a great time! Texas Hold'em, Roulette, Blackjack, and Craps with cash prizes awarded for top 5. Silent auction to be held. Attire is business casual. No Host Bar.

Tickets may be purchased at apibakersfield.com or by contacting Terra Gaines at (661) 340-8932 or Nicky Eddy at (661) 345-1444. Contact Terra or Nick for silent auction donations and sponsorships.

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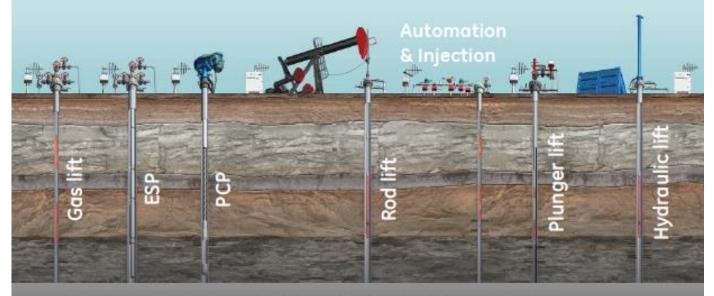
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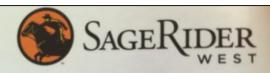
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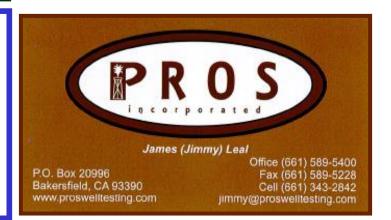
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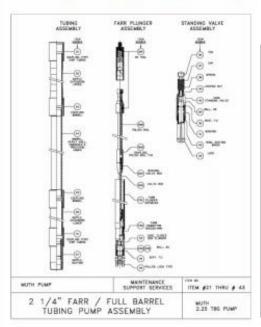
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