# the PEOPLE ON THE MOVE



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED | The Southeast Fresno Community Economic Development Association recently honored members of the community with its Trailblazers for Prosperity Awards.

#### NONPROFITS

The Southeast Fresno Community Economic Development Association recently hosted its eighth annual Trailblazers for Prosperity Awards Luncheon at the Fresno Fairgrounds. The honorees were Joseph Jones, Fresno Pacific University president; Yvonne Romero, retired Fresno Bee staff member; Adrian Alvarez Sr., Sergeant with the Fresno Police Department: and Robert Pao Ly, retired Fresno County Department of Social Services staff member. Patricia Brown, Brown & Associates, won the Community Legacy & Lifetime Achievement Award. The Leadership & Cultural Excellence Award was given posthumously to Theresa R. Perez, Ed.D.

#### **EDUCATION**

The Office of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, in partnership with the Educational Employees Credit Union, hosted the annual Educator of the Year Awards Ceremony on Thursday at the William Saroyan Theatre. The following winners were chosen in each category:

### School Employee of the Year

Praxades Torres III, Parlier Unified School District – Torres is the Director of Child Welfare and Attendance at PUSD. He has worked in education for 15 years.

# Administrator of the Year

**Dr. Dennis Wiechmann**, Sanger Unified School District – Wiechmann is the Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance at SUSD. He has worked in education for 24 years.

### Teacher of the Year

Greg Barragan, Office of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools – Barragan is a welding instructor at the Alice M. Worsley Court School. He has been a teacher for 15 years.

## SMALL BUSINESS

CIO Solutions announces the hiring of Anna Gallegos (P), sales executive for the Central Valley. She transitioned to the company after her previous role as West Coast Regional Manager for Dicalite. Anna is from Tulare. She attended Fresno State and graduated with her BS in business administration and marketing. She began her campaign of connecting businesses of the Central Valley to productivity-enhancing IT solutions this May.

In addition, CIO Solutions announces a role change for one of their senior system admins. **Derrick Herdewe**l has transitioned from his previous role on

CIO Solutions' Escalation Team as a sr. sys admin, to a new role as on-boarding specialist. He has been with the company for six years. In his tenure, his wealth of technical experience and noteworthy communication skills has proven him to be a valuable resource in enhancing the client experience.

#### CONTRACTING

Mark III has been awarded trade publication's Engineering News-Record's California Top Specialty Contractor of the Year. The company is proud to be able to represent the state as a family-owned business headquartered in Sacramento with an additional office in Fresno. ENR's regional editors selected Mark III based on its projects with Gallo Class (Modesto) and Amazon (Sacramento) in addition to their interest in our Project Mountain series and innovative MEP Panelized Wall Systems.

## RETAIL

Deli Delicious has announced a new store opening in Los Banos by the franchisee who also owns the Marina, California Deli Delicious restaurant. Other Deli Delicious restaurants are in the process in the towns of Tulare and Corona.



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