

# News Release

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## ***“WAFC ELECTS THREE NEW DIRECTORS”***



**Barry Craft – Vice President, Merchandising, Marketing & Procurement – Bashas’ Inc. Chandler, AZ**

Barry Craft is the Vice President of Merchandising, Marketing & Procurement for Bashas’ Inc. His career spans 40 years in the supermarket industry and includes executive leadership roles in major markets throughout the Southeastern and Southwestern United States.



**Richard Wardwell – President – Superior Grocers Santa Fe Springs, CA**

Richard Wardwell is the President of Superior Grocers, one of Southern California’s largest independent supermarket chains operating 46 locations. He has over 35 years of grocery retail experience and has been with Superior Grocers for over 5 years.



**Rick Williams – Area Vice President South – Albertsons/Vons/Pavilions Fullerton, CA**

Rick Williams is the Area Vice President South for Albertsons/Vons/Pavilions. He has 34 years working in the grocery industry.

*“We are pleased to welcome these talented industry leaders to the WAFC board of directors. We look forward to their contribution to increase participation of WAFC accredited education initiatives,”* said Greg McNiff, WAFC President & Chairman and President of Stater Bros. Markets

*Established in 1921, with grants in excess of \$33M, the WAFC is focused on providing educational opportunities for food industry associates. The highly acclaimed Food Industry Management Program at the University of Southern California Marshall School of Business has been available to qualified industry participants for 62 years. In 2000, the WAFC expanded its scope by working with community colleges throughout the Western United States to establish the “Retail Management Certificate Program.” The Retail Management Certificate Program curriculum is currently available at 160 college/satellite locations and online nationally.*

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