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## Mayor Davis will deliver State of the City Address at Chamber's March Event

For the seventh year, the Chamber will provide the forum for the State of the City address. Mayor Gary Davis will provide an update on the City's progress, status and future plans at the March 27th dinner.

"Last year, the event was sold out as a luncheon event, so this year we are moving it to the Holiday Inn," stated Janet Toppenberg, Chamber CEO. "The dinner format will provide access to the event by a greater number of Elk Grove business leaders and residents."

Admission, at \$40, will include dinner. Reservations are required and can be made at the Chamber office and on the Chamber's website, [www.elkgroveca.com](http://www.elkgroveca.com).

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#### March Calendar of Events

- 13<sup>th</sup> Member Orientation
- 18<sup>th</sup> Mixer
- 27<sup>th</sup> State of the City Address

#### April Calendar of Events

- 15<sup>th</sup> Mixer
- 17<sup>th</sup> Brown Bag Educational Series
- 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Luncheon

Visit the Chamber's website [www.elkgroveca.com](http://www.elkgroveca.com) or Call for more information 916.691.3760

## Leadership Elk Grove Class I Meets with Elected Leaders

The members of the first class of Leadership Elk Grove met with Elk Grove City Mayor Gary Davis, County Supervisor Don Nottoli and CSD Director Gil Albiani during its February session.

During the local government/civics session, the elected officials, along with key members of the City staff, outlined the roles, responsibilities, funding and issues involved in local government. Class I members completing the program in April are Kenneth Cooper, CRC; Debbie Klava, SureWest, Robert Montanez, CRC; Nancy Samra, Richard Samra Investments; Landon Tymochko, Camp BowWow and Kristin Vandersluis, Kaiser Permanente.



(Pictured from left) Mayor Gary Davis, Interim City Manager Jim Estep, Cheryl Creson, Public Works Director, and Cody Tubbs, Deputy City Manager, meet with the Leadership Class



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## New Federal Posting Requirements in Effect - Chamber Providing Fee Addendum

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) has added a posting requirement to notify employees of recent changes to the federal Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) that provide additional leave rights to military personnel and their families. The new federally required posting must appear next to the 2008 California and federal employment poster immediately. This is an addendum and should not be posted over the current FMLA posting. Failure to post the notice could result in fines and penalties. The Elk Grove Chamber is providing the addendum at no charge

The amendments to the federal FMLA went into effect on January 28. As a result, companies may have to provide as much as 12 weeks of leave for an employee whose family member will be on active duty, and as much as 26 weeks of leave for an employee to care for a family member who has been injured in the line of duty.

**New Reason for Leave** - The amendment adds a reason for leave under FMLA for "any qualifying exigency (to be determined by regulations) arising out of the fact that the spouse, son, daughter or parent of an employee is on active duty or notified of impending call or order to active duty in the armed forces in support of a contingency operation. "

Because the amended FMLA is a new law, regulations are not yet in place to implement it. If a business has an employee who may be eligible for leave under one of these provisions, consult with legal counsel.

**If you have not yet purchased your 2008 poster, do so now through the Chamber.....the addendum will be included.**

## Holly Cleveland Joins Chamber as Director of Membership and Marketing

I am pleased to introduce Holly Cleveland as the newest member of the Elk Grove Chamber of Commerce team. Holly is a well known local marketing professional with many years of experience in the marketing and sales arena. Holly is a proven performer with a clear understanding of what it takes to maximize company marketing plans and sales goals. Her strong ability to identify opportunities coupled with her refined negotiating skills will be greatly utilized in her new position. Over the years I have had the pleasure to work with Holly as she promoted the Elk Grove Chipotle Mexican Grill, Elk Grove Ford and a host of local businesses and non-profit organizations.

Please join with me in welcoming Holly to her new position with the Elk Grove Chamber of Commerce.

Janet Toppenberg, CEO

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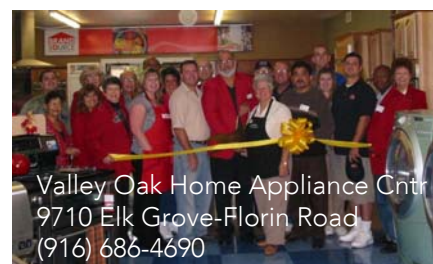
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