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## Future Leaders Will Grow From Chamber's Leadership Elk Grove Program

The Chamber kicked off its new **Leadership Elk Grove** program at the August Members' Meeting. In announcing the inception of the program, Chamber President and CEO Janet Toppenberg noted that the program will provide participants with the tools to become effective leaders in the community, whether through volunteer positions or elected positions.

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Important community and business issues, leadership skills and government agency processes will be the topics of the once a month, half day sessions. Between October and April, participants will meet once a month for one-half day on site of a sponsoring business or the session host. The morning sessions will be held on the second Tuesday of each month and will begin at 7:30 a.m. Individuals who live, work or do business in the Elk Grove area are eligible to apply. Tuition for the program is \$400 which includes meals and all course materials.

"The community's volunteer and elected leadership directly influences the economic health of Elk Grove. Leadership Elk Grove encourages participation in the development of sound public policy and leadership by preparing individuals to take an active role in the development of local that policy," stated Toppenberg.

### Special Event

Requests for applications are available on the Chamber's website, [www.elkgroveca.com](http://www.elkgroveca.com) or by calling the Chamber office at 916-691-3760.



September 9, 2007

#### Save these Dates!

Sept. 28 – Salute to Ag

Oct. 2 – EGCPAC Reception

Nov. 30 – Economic Forum

## Linda Hoppes Will Take the Chamber to Business

In joining the Elk Grove Chamber staff on September 1, Linda Hoppes will bring in-depth experience to the newly created Membership Representative position. "Linda's partnership in previous positions with chamber membership volunteers and leaders has provided her with an understanding of the Chamber and its functions, allowing her to immediately connect with our businesses," stated Janet Toppenberg, Chamber President/CEO. "She will be a great addition to your Chamber staff, focusing on new member development and outreach to existing members." Ms. Hoppes has several years of experience as a sales executive in the region, and is an Elk Grove resident.

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## Customers Value Chamber Affiliation by Businesses

Chamber membership makes a difference when consumers are seeking services and goods, according to a new study released at the American Association of Chamber Executives held recently in Sacramento. The survey, conducted by the Shapiro Group of Atlanta, reveals that 44% of consumers are more likely to feel favorably about a business that belongs to the local chamber and 51% more likely to be aware of it. "So, in addition to the products and services of the Chamber, members have a distinct advantage in the market," stated Elk Grove Chamber Membership Representative Linda Hoppes. "Members should use that to their advantage and aggressively promote their Chamber membership."

## Search for EDC Executive Director

The Elk Grove Economic Development Corporation (EGEDC) is seeking an Executive Director to lead it through the five year, \$2.25 million jobs creation program. Formed in early 2007, the EGEDC is a not-for-profit corporation focused on attracting, creating and retaining quality job opportunities in Elk Grove. The search is being handled by Wilcox, Miller & Nelson. Details on the position and process for application are on the Chamber website, [www.elkgroveca.com](http://www.elkgroveca.com), or be contacting Diane Miller, 916-977-3700.

### Calendar of Events

### September

- |           |   |           |  |
|-----------|---|-----------|--|
| <b>11</b> | <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Board of Directors Meeting                             | <b>20</b> | <b>12 noon-1:00 p.m.</b> Brown Bag Education Series  |
| <b>13</b> | <b>9:00-10:00 a.m.</b> Member Orientation                               |           | <b>5:30 p.m.</b> China Trip Orientation  |
| <b>18</b> | <b>4:30-7:30 p.m.</b> Mixer & Business Expo – Laguna and Big Horn Blvd. | <b>27</b> | <b>11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.</b> Membership Luncheon – Salute to Ag, Elk Grove High School Farm |

### Calendar of Events

### October

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|-----------|--|-----------|---|
| <b>2</b>  | <b>EGCPAC Reception, Mikuni's Sushi</b>      | <b>16</b> | <b>5:30-7:00 p.m.</b> Mixer – Sutter Health         |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>4:00 p.m.</b> Board of Directors Meeting  | <b>18</b> | <b>12 noon-1:00 p.m.</b> Brown Bag Education Series |
| <b>11</b> | <b>8:00 a.m.</b> Leadership Elk Grove Begins | <b>26</b> | <b>8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.</b> Elk Grove Economic Forum |

# New Members

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