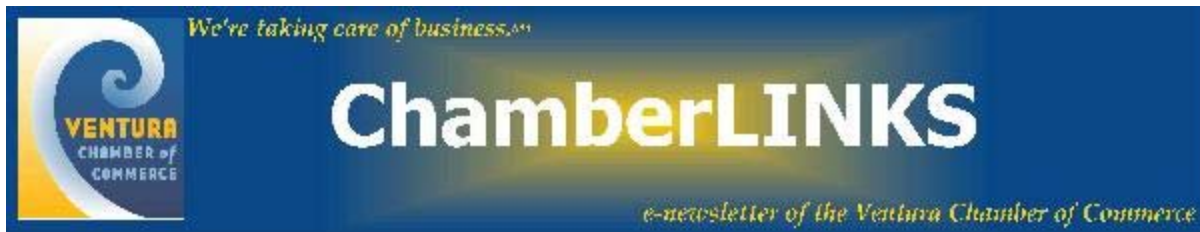


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**The MIX - Nighttime Networking is back in 2009!**

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## URGE GOVERNOR TO FIGHT FOR FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING, CLEARER MEAL/REST PERIOD RULES

The Ventura Chamber and California Chamber of Commerce urge you to contact Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and ask him to fight for legislation that would allow greater flexibility in individual employee work schedules and simplify meal/rest period requirements.

**Action Needed**

[CLICK HERE](#) for an easy- to-use sample letter and other tools to help you contact the Governor and other representatives. Type in your ZIP code and follow instructions to have a tailor made letter prepared easily.



Please fax a copy of your letter (on your company letterhead) for Governor Schwarzenegger, care of the Ventura Chamber of Commerce at 805-650-1414

**Why is this important to me?**

Governor Schwarzenegger called a special session of the Legislature and proposed a combination of cuts, taxes and economic stimulus measures to address a budget deficit now estimated at \$11.2 billion. The Governor's proposals called for providing overtime exemptions and allowing more flexible work schedules to increase productivity to keep high-paying jobs in the state, as well as clarifying meal and rest period rules to save businesses litigation costs.

More flexible work schedules will not only help employees deal with family matters and save on commute costs, but also reduce traffic and greenhouse gas emissions.

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STATE OF THE CHAMBER - ANNUAL BREAKFAST TO INSTALL NEW BOARD AND OFFICERS, SHARE 2008 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND 2009 BUSINESS PLAN COMING FRIDAY JANUARY 16TH, 7:30AM AT THE CROWNE PLAZE VENTURA BEACH

***What do you get for your dues?  
What does the Chamber do for Ventura?  
What were the results of the survey?  
What has been accomplished in 2008?  
What is on the agenda for 2009?  
Who are the Board of Directors?***

Get answers to all of these questions and learn about the Chamber's five core areas while enjoying breakfast at this annual meeting. You will receive a copy of the chamber's 2008 Annual Report / 2009 Business plan at breakfast.



**Register**

**NOW!**

Sponsored by: **First California Bank, Ventura College /**

## Institute for Community and Professional Development, Ventura County Star and Ventura Rental Center.

Sponsorships are still available - contact Serena Martinez  
[serena@ventura-chamber.org](mailto:serena@ventura-chamber.org) 805-676-7500 for more info.

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1. Creating a Strong Local Economy
2. Promoting the Community
3. Providing Networking Opportunities and Business Contacts
4. Representing Business to Government
5. Political Action



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## QUICKCONNECT HELPS MEMBERS SPEED NETWORK AND PROVIDES NEW CONTACTS AND BUSINESS LEADS

If networking is what your business needs to thrive in 2009 you are encouraged to attend the January 20th QuickConnect at 11:30AM. This unique quarterly event takes "one on one" lead generating to the next level.

Enjoy an action packed, fun filled opportunity that ends with a fabulous lunch sponsored by Domino's Pizza. How else could you get up to 20 new leads and lunch for \$15.



Please go to [www.VenturaChamber.com](http://www.VenturaChamber.com) and click on the Chamber

Calendar to register. Register by noon on Monday January 19th to be on the Quick Sheet.

**California law requires employers to** post 16 state and federal notices that explain workers' rights to employees. Three mandatory notices have changed for 2009, which means every employer among your members must display an updated poster in an area that is accessible to all employees.

The following notices on the California and Federal Employment Poster have changed for 2009:

- Family and Medical Leave Act
- Equal Employment Opportunity
- EDD notice to employees

**2009 Employment Posters and Human Resource Materials Available**  
through the  
**Ventura Chamber**

**2009 Required Notices Kit**  
*Includes 1 poster and all 5 mandatory pamphlets (20 each)*  
Laminated poster: \$82 (member) \$90 (non-member)  
Non-laminated poster: \$72 (member) \$80 (non-member)

**2009 California and Federal Employment Posters**  
Laminated poster: \$39 (member) \$44 (non-member)  
Non-laminated poster: \$23 (member) \$28 (non-member)

**Paid Family Leave Pamphlets (packet of 15)**  
\$20 (member) \$25 (non-member)

**Sexual Harassment and Information Sheets (packet of 15)**  
\$20 (member) \$25 (non-member)

**Unemployment/SDI Pamphlets (packet of 15)**  
\$20 (member) \$25 (non-member)

**Workers' Comp Rights and Benefits Pamphlets (packet of 15)**  
\$20 (member) \$25 (non-member)

**HR Handbook for California Employers Edition**  
\$40 (member) \$50 (non-member)

**2009 HR Forms for California Employers**  
\$20 (member) \$30 (non-member)

**Employee Handbook Software for CA, Employers Edition**  
\$99 (member) \$130 (non-member)

**2009 Labor Law Digest Kit**  
*Includes Labor Law Digest (\$149 value) Labor Law Update newsletter (\$99) and 2009 CA and Federal Employment Poster (\$39)*  
Hard Copy: \$270 (member) \$300 (non-member)

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**EDD OFFERS FREE TAX SEMINAR ON FEDERAL-STATE BASIC PAYROLL TAXES - 1/15 9AM-2:30PM**

You will learn:

- California payroll reporting requirements

- Independent contractor reporting requirements
- Electronic filing and payment requirements and options
- Federal payroll reporting requirements

To make reservations go to [www.edd.ca.gov/Payroll\\_Tax\\_Seminars](http://www.edd.ca.gov/Payroll_Tax_Seminars) or call 866-873-6086.

CHAMBER WEBSITE PRODUCES MEMBER REFERRALS

## Top internet referrals and traffic report for December

### Website Statistics:

Visits - 14,390

Page Views - 23,178

### Top 10 Members Clicked

Osabi Japanese

Bob Davis Team

Four Points Sheraton by Ventura Harbor

Ventura County Fairgrounds & Seaside Park

Yolanda's of Ventura

Acupuncture Specialty Clinic

Vic's Plumbing Supply Company

Avon Beauty Center

Dargan's Irish Pub & Restaurant of Ventura

City Shopper

### Top 10 Members Mapped

Marriott Ventura Beach

Osabi Japanese

Pierpont Inn

Raymond James Financial Services

RH Wealth Advisors, Incorporated

Ventura Family YMCA

Bank of the West

Capital Insurance Group

Comfort Inn Ventura Beach

Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach

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