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The MIX Nighttime Networking

Thu. July 24th 5:30 - 7:PM
My Florist Cafe & Bakery
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FUTURE OF COMMUNITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MID-TOWN OPPORTUNITIES

Community Memorial Health System and the Ventura Chamber of Commerce invite you to come to an informational breakfast and learn about proposed plans for the new Community Memorial Hospital and surrounding areas.



Gary Wilde, President/CEO of Community Memorial Health System and Rick Cole, City Manager of the City of Ventura will share initial concepts and renderings. There will be opportunities for questions, answers and input from those in attendance.

Don't miss out on this chance to learn about potential business opportunities surrounding this development.

Reservations are \$30 and can be made online - [RESERVE NOW!!](#)

ALERT - JOB KILLER BILL:AB2716

One of the "Job Killer" bills currently being considered by the California Legislature is Assembly Bill 2716 (AB 2716) by Assemblywoman Fiona Ma (D-San Francisco).

AB 2716 mandates that all employers provide paid sick leave to an employee after seven days of work in a calendar year to care for their own illness, or to provide care to a sick child, spouse, domestic partner, other relative, or some other person that they designate. The mandate would extend to all employers and all employees, as specified. There are no exceptions.

As currently written, AB 2716:

- Would allow workers to earn one hour for every 30 hours worked that can be used to recover from illness, care for a sick family member, or recover from domestic violence or sexual assault. Unused sick leave would be carried over from year to year with no cap on the amount accrued. At a rate of 1 hour earned per 30 hours worked, AB 2716 would require employers to provide a minimum paid sick leave benefit of 8.667 days per year to ALL employees - part-time and full-time.
- Requires employers to include on the itemized wage statement the paid sick leave accrued and used
- Requires employers to allow employees who have no spouse or registered domestic partner to designate another person to care



for using the paid sick leave. There is no requirement for a familial relationship

- Expands recordkeeping and payroll reporting requirements that will be burdensome to administer, especially for small businesses that may lack adequate recourses and expertise
- AB 2716 has already passed out of the Senate Labor & Industrial Relations Committee and is scheduled to be heard next by the Senate Appropriations Committee, sometime in July.

Learn more and subscribe to bill tracking on the California Chamber of Commerce website by following this link: [AB2716](#)

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ALTERNATE WORK WEEK SCHEDULE SURVEY

TO: CalChamber Members

Subject: Survey on Alternative Workweek Schedules

Rising gas prices have led to renewed interest in alternative workweek schedules, such as four 10-hour days rather than five eight-hour days in a week. Information on CalChamber member experiences with the existing process will be helpful to our advocacy staff members as they continue to work toward removing or minimizing barriers for employers and employees to agree to flexible alternative work schedules.

Please take a few minutes now to take the [alternative workweek survey](#) by clicking on the link. If you have already taken the survey in response to the Alert article or recent Top Story, you will see the "Thank you" message when you click on the link.

We appreciate your time and comments.

Ann Amioka
Vice President, Communications

EMPLOYMENT LAW BOOKLET SERIES AVAILABLE

A new five-booklet series to help educate small business owners about employment law and keep their companies out of court is being offered through the CalChamber.

This is a must-have series of books that gives small business owners an overview of the HR rules that apply to the following areas:

- * Hiring: Recruiting, interviewing and making the employment offer
- * Evaluating: Developing, preparing and conducting performance evaluations
- * Disciplining: Communicating, documenting and discipline methods
- * Terminating: Preparing, documenting and executing legal termination
- * Paying non-exempt employees: Scheduling, enforcing and documenting

This product is being offered for \$25.00. This is an excellent product which will provide businesses with important information to keep in compliance.

For more information please contact help@ventura-chamber.org.

CHAMBER WEBSITE PRODUCES MEMBER REFERRALS

Top internet referrals and traffic report for June

Website Statistics:

Visits - 10,628
Page Views - 12,730
Time Per Visit - 2.48 minutes
Files Downloaded - 3,801

Top 10 Members Clicked

City Shopper
Four Points by Sheraton Ventura Harbor
Acupuncture Specialty Clinic
Vagabond Inn
NAI Capital Commercial Real Estate

Comfort Inn Ventura Beach
Avon
K R Realtors
Auto Steigler
Holiday Inn Express
Warriner Consulting

Top 10 Members Mapped

Hungry Hunter Restaurant
Viola Incorporated
Vagabond Inn
Ventura Co. Fairgrounds & Seaside Park
Pierpont Inn
Yolanda's of Ventura Inc.
Jersey Mike's Subs
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