



GOLETA CHAMBER NEWS & EVENTS

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CALIFORNIA LEMON FESTIVAL 2006

OCTOBER 21 & 22



• G O L E T A •

October 21 & 22, 2006

Saturday: 10am-6pm • Sunday: 10am-5pm

Girsh Park

Santa Felicia Drive (behind Home Depot), Goleta

FREE ADMISSION & PARKING

Please no pets at the festival



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

800.646.5382 • www.LemonFestival.com

Politics & Pies



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In this busy world, most of us have lots of priorities to juggle. At the top of most people's lists would be family, and work. Creating a healthy business with great employees and a healthy bottom line takes most of our time.

That is why your Chamber of Commerce provides a voters' guide for most elections. With our business interests in mind, the Chamber staff, Board of Directors and volunteers take the time to interview candidates, research issues, and analyze the local political scene.

Today's newsletter provides the Goleta Valley Chamber of Commerce's endorsements on the State Ballot propositions and the local transportation sales tax known as "Measure D 2006."

Mid-October, we will also mail and web-post a complete voters' guide, including information about the 2nd District Supervisor race, the Goleta City Council, and Goleta Water Board.

Please review the schedule of important, election-related events, hosted here at the Chamber. There is no easier way to educate yourself on the local issues in our city. We've tailored our events to be easy to use, even for busy businesswomen and businessmen.

But before we vote, we will get to see you, and have a great family-fun time, at the 15th Annual Lemon Festival. Don't miss this terrific annual event! See you soon.

ONTHESIDE

SAVE THE DATE Membership Luncheon

- City Council Candidates
Roger Aceves
Michael Bennett
Cynthia Brock
Margaret Connell
Jack Hawxhurst
Eric Onnen

October 11th, 2006
12:00pm - 1:30pm

Holiday Inn
5650 Calle Real

POLITICAL SCHEDULE:

Here is an overview of the important dates and decision-making bodies' schedule.

- **October 2:** City Council Candidates vote on General Plan
- **October 3:** State Supreme Court in Santa Barbara re: City of Goleta Residents vs Sand Piper
- **October 10:** GVCoC forum for Water Board Candidates 12:00pm- 1:30pm
- **October 10:** GVCoC forum for Goleta City Council 7:00pm-9:00pm
- **October 11:** Chamber Membership Luncheon presentation of City Council Candidates Forum, 12:00pm-1:30pm
- **October 12:** Special meeting of Goleta Valley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors to vote on endorsement of candidates
- **November 2-4 (tbd):** Effective date of General Plan, (if adopted on October 4)
- **November 7:** Election Day



November 7th Voters' Guide

Proposition 1A

GVCoC: SUPPORT
Cal Chamber: SUPPORT
Legislative Alliance: SUPPORT
 Transportation Investment Fund: would make it more difficult for the Legislature to suspend Proposition 42, which mandates that gasoline sales-tax revenue be spent on transportation, and divert the money for other purposes. *Closes the loophole and saves funding for much-needed statewide transportation improvements; improves the mobility of goods and people.*

Proposition 1B

GVCoC: SUPPORT
Cal Chamber: SUPPORT
Legislative Alliance: SUPPORT
 Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, Port Security Bond Act of 2006: a \$19.9 billion bond issue to pay for road repairs and expansions, repair bridges, expand public transportation and improve port security. *Saves funding for much-needed statewide transportation improvements; improves the mobility of goods and people.*

Proposition 1C

GVCoC: SUPPORT
Cal Chamber: SUPPORT
Legislative Alliance: SUPPORT
 Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006: a \$2.85 billion bond issue to pay for affordable-housing assistance and housing for farm workers and the homeless. *Provides funding for housing our workforce.*

Proposition 1D

GVCoC: SUPPORT
Cal Chamber: SUPPORT
Legislative Alliance: SUPPORT
 Education Facilities. Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006: a \$10.4 billion bond issue for school and university construction. *Key piece of the State's infrastructure and is important to long-term for workforce development.*

Proposition 1E

GVCoC: SUPPORT
Cal Chamber: SUPPORT
Legislative Alliance: SUPPORT
 Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006: a \$4.09 billion bond issue to repair levees and flood-control systems. *A vital protection for levee and flood control systems.*

Proposition 84

GVCoC: No Position
Cal Chamber: SUPPORT
Legislative Alliance: OPPOSE
 Water Quality, Safety and Supply. Flood Control. Natural Resource Protection Park Improvements: a \$5.4 billion bond issue to pay for clean-water, flood-control and conservation projects.

Proposition 87

GVCoC: OPPOSE
Cal Chamber: OPPOSE
Legislative Alliance: OPPOSE
 Alternative Energy. Research, Production Incentives. Tax on California Oil: would impose a 1.6 percent to 6 percent tax on producers of oil extracted in California, depending on the price per barrel, to pay for research and production incentives for alternative energy vehicles and clean-burning fuels. *Falls against the Chamber's position to not single out any one business or industry with taxes. No over-sight of the money collected.*

Proposition 88

GVCoC: OPPOSE
Cal Chamber: OPPOSE
Legislative Alliance: OPPOSE
 Education Funding. Real Property Parcel Tax: would impose a \$50 tax on each real property parcel to pay for kindergarten-through-12th-grade programs, including class-size reduction, textbooks and school safety programs. *Inadequate program that Conflicts with Proposition 1D.*

Proposition 89

GVCoC: OPPOSE
Cal Chamber: OPPOSE
Legislative Alliance: OPPOSE
 Political Campaigns. Public Financing. Corporate Tax Increase. Contribution and Expenditure Limits: would allow political candidates who raise a specified number of \$5 donations to receive money from the state, and would raise taxes on banks and corporations by 0.2 percent to pay for the program. *Falls against the Chamber's position to not single out any one business or industry with taxes.*

Proposition 90

GVCoC: No Position
Cal Chamber: OPPOSE
Legislative Alliance: TBC
 Government Acquisition, Regulation of Private Property: would prohibit state and local governments from condemning private property for other private uses. *California is not subject to the imminent domain issues that other states are, thus the Proposition is unnecessary.*

Measure D 2006

GVCoC: SUPPORT
Cal Chamber: To Be Considered
Legislative Alliance: No Position
 The nearly \$1.6 billion funding plan will widen 101, maintain local roads, provide safe routes to school, increase bus service and create a new commuter rail service connecting Santa Barbara and Ventura County. The adopted plan would continue Measure D-our existing ½ percent local sales tax for transportation-for 30 years and provide for a ¼ percent increase. *Only available and feasible plan to sustain our transportation maintenance improvements, and commuter services; allows us to keep local control of funds.*

ONTHE SIDE

INTERNSHIPS

Santa Barbara City College (SBCC) promotes strong community connections between employers and students through our local internship program.

Employers work closely with student interns to provide training, mentorship and guidance. In return they get the benefit of a temporary worker with specialized skills. Students are able to apply classroom based knowledge to professional settings. Students also learn about their chosen career path through on-the-job training and can strengthen their resumes and portfolios while completing their education.

Several of our departments offer internships. For example, nearly all SBCC's School of Media Arts (SOMA) students participate in an internship during their course of studies. Last semester over 33% received jobs with their mentors, and over 60% went on to other jobs within the field.

Other departmental internship credit include: Alcohol and Drug Counseling; Cancer Information Management, Communications, Culinary Arts, Education, English, Environmental Horticulture, Film Studies, Graphic Design and Photography, Health Information Technology, History, Hotel Management, Journalism, Nursing, Philosophy, Physical/Health Education, Political Science, Psychology, Radiography, and Sociology.

Internships are temporary and are offered for one to three semesters. If you are interested in sponsoring an intern, please contact the appropriate department or Sheri Leigh in the Career Center at 730-4133.

ON THE CHAMBER CALENDAR

October

- 10 - Issue & Policy Roundtable
GVCoC forum for Water Board Candidates
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
12:00pm - 1:30pm
- 10 - Issue & Policy Roundtable
GVCoC forum for Goleta City Council
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
7:00pm - 9:00pm
- 11 - City Council Candidates Membership Luncheon
Holiday Inn
5650 Calle Real
Santa Barbara
12:00pm - 1:30pm

- 12 - Board of Directors Meeting
Chamber Conference Room
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
12:00pm - 1:15pm
- 21 - 15th Annual California Lemon Festival
Girsh Park 10am-6pm
Saturday - Car Show
- 22 - 15th Annual California Lemon Festival
Girsh Park 10am-5pm
Sunday - Motorcycle Show
- 24 - Issue & Policy Roundtable
Chamber Conference Room
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
12:00pm - 1:15pm

- 30 - Executive Board Meeting
Chamber Conference Room
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
12:00pm - 1:15pm

November

- 2 - Board Meeting
Chamber Conference Room
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
12:00pm - 1:15pm
- 6 - Ambassadors Meeting
Chamber Conference Room
271 N. Fairview Ave, Ste 104
12:00pm - 1:15pm
- 7 - Election Day