## VALLEJO CHAMBER NAMES NEW PRESIDENT AND CEO

VALLEJO - T.F. "Rick" Wells has been hired as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Vallejo Chamber of Commerce.

Wells, who has been serving as the Membership Director at the Napa Chamber of Commerce, will take the helm on April 7, 2003.

Wells brings his expertise in management, operations, planning, budgeting, membership development, fundraising and legislative action to the position. Wells holds degrees from Orange Coast College and the University of California at Davis in Communication Studies.

"I'm thrilled to have such an energetic person coming on board," said Connie Klimisch, the Chamber's 2003 Chair. "Rick will be a real asset and I look forward to an exciting year."

"Now is an exciting time for Vallejo," Wells said. "I am looking forward to the opportunity to work alongside the people who shape the Vallejo community. Like my predecessor, it is my intention to support the Board of Directors of both the Chamber and CVB accomplish their respective missions for the community."

Wells replaces Tom Egidio, who served as the Chamber's President and CEO for six years before taking a position with Triad Communities, Inc.

A fan of the great outdoors Rick enjoys backpacking, fishing and playing golf. He is a past Board member, Vice President and President of the Napa Active 20-30 Club. He sits on the Advisory Council of the Big Brothers Big Sisters and was recognized as the Napa County "Big Brother" of the Year for 2002.