

November 2022



Our monthly news & updates

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A Message from Chamber President, Tony Clifford

GET OUT AND VOTE!

It is the right of the people to get out and vote. I am so proud of the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors that has taken a stand to say **NO to MEASURE DD**.

No one is opposed to education. Especially in these formidable years. We choose to live in an area where two income earners are almost a necessity. Early educational years are parenting years, so we need to get this right. The City of South San Francisco was working on a plan. This plan for early education has not been completed. Please take the time to read what is being proposed. Take the time to read who endorses NO on Measure DD. South San Francisco is a wonderful place to do business. It is the home to Biotechnology. The City benefits from revenues received from the many businesses, both small and large, that chose to have their business in the City of South San Francisco. If you enjoy the benefits you have, and that your City, the City of South San Francisco, provides to you, your family and your business, please take the time to read through what Measure DD is saying. Allow this plan to be further thought out. Nobody is opposed to childcare. **Vote NO on Measure DD!**



November brings back the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce's biggest event of the year. Yes, Taste of South San Francisco is BACK! Come help us celebrate Mr. Taste of South San Francisco (coined by this writer), JIM METZ. We will have a record of over 40 restaurants participating with their signature dishes. Restaurants, like Chamber members, may be outside the city limits of South San Francisco. [Taste of South San Francisco](#) is Friday, November 4th beginning at noon. A new added value to the event is the Pre-Event, "A Taste of the Year in Review!" Continental Breakfast 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Hear from our city officials a year in review.

**MEET NEW CHAMBER MEMBER
JOB TRAIN CAREER CENTER**



Career Center Services at JobTrain are designed for people who need a job now or who need a better job now. Some may already have training and are recently unemployed, while some are working below their potential and need help preparing themselves for the job market today.

JobTrain Career Centers are located in · East Palo Alto · Menlo Park · San Jose · South San Francisco

In the process of career counseling and career exploration, some may find an interest in a training program at JobTrain or elsewhere. Career Center Staff can refer clients to JobTrain Career Training Programs. Primarily though, JobTrain's Career Centers are serving people who are quickly trying to land a job or a better job.

All job readiness skills are reviewed as outlined below

- Resume Development
- Interview Practice
- Job Placement Services and Career Exploration
- Online Job Readiness Workshops · Entrance into JobTrainEDGE, an exclusive online job coaching tool.
- Access to Virtual Employment Tools
- Incentives for finding your New Job!
- Access to on-site technology: printer, laptops, and WiFi
- Supportive Services as needed

The City of South San Francisco is planning to honor our veterans this year with a “Business Salute,” and would love for you to be a part of this! For this Business Salute, we would like to include your business in our list of those offering veterans discount to qualifying patrons from Oct. 31- Nov. 11.



The amount of discount you would like to offer is at your discretion, but we recommend a minimum of 10% off. We will promote your business and encourage all residents to patronize your businesses, and if they are a veteran, they would receive a discount during Oct. 31 – Nov. 11.

Please help us thank all of our veterans for what they've done for our country and the sacrifices they've made. This little acknowledgment will go a long way! If you are interested in participating or have any questions/concerns, please contact Maryjo Nuñez at (650) 829-4613 or maryjo.nunez@ssf.net. Thank you!



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Priority for SSF residents, families employed in
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JOIN US AT OUR OPEN HOUSE!

Thursday, November 10, 2022
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Gateway Child Development Center
559 Gateway Blvd.
South San Francisco, 94080

To reserve, please contact Jenny Lam at
jlam@ymcasf.org or 650-873-8145

ENROLL TODAY!

ymcasf.org/programs/gateway-child-development-center-peninsula

****FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES WHO QUALIFY.****

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT Jenny Lam at jlam@ymcasf.org or 650-873-8145



UPCOMING SEMINARS AT THE SAN FRANCISCO WINE SCHOOL!

How to Build a Successful Beverage Program on Tuesday 11/2 [View here](#). This is about top 10 tips, tricks and mistakes to avoid. It's good for people in restaurants, wine bars and retail.

Responsible Beverage Service Training on Nov 7th. This is a low-cost training for those who have not yet gotten certified. ABC enforcement is beginning; it's in everyone's interest to make sure businesses and their employees are now in compliance. [View here](#)

Two free seminars on **Wines of Abruzzo Nov 18 and Dec 2** with winemakers from the region as part of the EU's Charming Taste of Europe Campaign. [View here](#). It's available online or in person. There is no charge to attend and each seminar has 6 wines. If you want a tasting kit to be prepared for you (or delivered) there's a small fee.

• **SAVE THE DATE** •

**34TH
ANNUAL** *Taste of*
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO 
NOVEMBER 4, 2022

AT SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE CENTER

WWW.SSFCHAMBER.COM



Dedicated to Jim Metz, "Mr. Taste of South San Francisco"

Dear Fellow Restaurateurs, Brewers, and Vendors,

We are well under way making plans for the **34th Annual Taste of South San Francisco**. Please save the date, Friday, **November 4, 2022**, at the South San Francisco Conference Center from 12:00n to 2:00pm. We are requesting that you and your business join us in offering samples from your restaurant, brewery, or from your selection of wine at this wonderful event.

This is a perfect opportunity to spotlight your business and introduce your specialty fare or showcase your products to local residents, other businesses and SSF Chamber members. We are using the entire perimeter of the ballroom to balance the flow and give everyone room for their display.

Please see attached to relay your intent for displaying your restaurant or products. Please remit your sheet to the SSF Chamber of Commerce as soon as possible so we may give you the best spot available!

Your company name will be included on all posters, social media, and the Chamber Website. You can also include coupons for us to place in the attendee bags as well!

Make this event as mutually beneficial as possible...

1. Please commit to participating early and provide us with your planning page
2. We invite you to become a member or renew your SSF Chamber of Commerce Membership. Simply log on to www.ssfchamber.com
3. Please donate a Gift Certificate for (TWO) PEOPLE to dine at your establishment (if applicable) or a raffle prize for your business.

This is a true signature event for you, the Chamber, and the City...**so please let us know at your earliest convenience of your commitment. Please remit your planning page by email to info@ssfchamber.com** and include all ideas!!

Thank you in advance,

The Committee for the 34th Annual Taste of South San Francisco

34th ANNUAL TASTE OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

Dedicated to Jim Metz, "Mr. Taste of South San Francisco"

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE CENTER
255 SOUTH AIRPORT BLVD., SSF
12:00pm to 2:00pm

Please fill out the form and submit it to the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce or email at info@ssfchamber.com. Note: Each merchant will have up to a 6-foot table with two chairs. There will not be a buffet line; guests will be able to go directly to food tables of their choice.

- I will be able to attend the event and provide our company's service/product.
 I will be able to attend the event and serve our food specialty.
 I will not be able to attend the event.
 I will not be able to attend, but I would like to make arrangements to showcase our specialty product.

Please provide tastings-appetizer portions for at least 250-300 people, however we do expect 400 people

I will deliver my food specialty to the SSF Conference Center by **11:00 a.m.**

I will need an electrical hook-up, at cost of \$50.00.

I am interested in donating a raffle prize: _____

I am interested in a sponsorship \$500 \$1,000 \$1,500

Name of Company/Business: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

This event is to promote your product or service so please bring menus, business cards, that will help advertise your business. Call the SSF Chamber for more information, 650-588-1911, or email at info@ssfchamber.com.



[Click here to see a list of participating restaurants](#)

THANK YOU to these sponsors of Taste SSF

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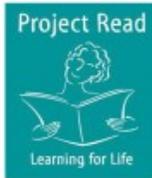
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Come join us for an evening of fun and fine dining as we celebrate the 29th Trivia Challenge!

SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 18, 2022



**PROJECT READ NORTH SAN MATEO COUNTY
29TH TRIVIA CHALLENGE**

Please save the date! We are planning to hold this important community event, with recognition of appropriate public health protocols to protect our attendees.

**South San Francisco Conference Center
255 South Airport Blvd, SSF
5:30-9:00 pm**

General Admission with dinner: \$50, \$60 after November 8th

Team Entry Fee (includes dinner for 3): \$400

You won't want to miss this exciting competition, which includes dinner, silent auction and of course the Challenge! Join the fun and support Project Read tutors and learners as well as all the other wonderful programs offered by this important library service.

Contact Project Read at (650) 829-3871 or triviainfo@ssf.net for more information

South San Francisco Main Library - Literacy Services

www.ssf.net/trivia

Shop local this holiday season at the Renaissance Winter Pop-Up!
Coinciding with Santa Comes to Town, you'll have the chance to buy handmade, creative gifts and food from Renaissance clients and friends for all the people on your list. The event takes place at the Economic Advancement Center,

366 Grand Ave. on Dec 4, 11am-3pm.

Renaissance Winter

Pop-Up

December 4, 2022
11am - 3 pm
366 Grand Ave, SSF, CA

Featuring
Local food, craft, and
fashion vendors!

*Shop local, eat local this
Holiday Season!*

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 CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
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 COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
CALIFORNIA



You can RSVP and pay for our events by going to the calendar section and clicking on the event you want to attend. Registration is for SSF Chamber members.

Not a Chamber member yet?
Contact the Chamber at info@ssfchamber.com
or visit www.ssfchamber.com

Follow us on [Facebook](#) for the latest Chamber news.

SSF Chamber Calendar of Events

South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce

34th Annual TASTE of South San Francisco

Dedicated to Mr. Taste of SSF, Jim Metz

Friday, November 4, 2022

10am-12pm: Informational Economic Outlook
Breakfast

12pm-2pm: Taste of South San Francisco
Lunch

South San Francisco Conference Center
255 So Airport Blvd., South San Francisco

SSF Women's Club and Chamber Mixer Presents

Holiday Mixer and Gift Drive

Thursday, December 8, 2022

5:00pm – 6:30pm

470 Grand Avenue, SSF

Rsvp: info@ssfchamber.com

South San Francisco Chamber Member Benefit

Did you know as one of the many benefits of being our member that you can submit your events for Chamber approval through our monthly newsletter, or social media outlets. Once approved, it will be listed on our event calendar!



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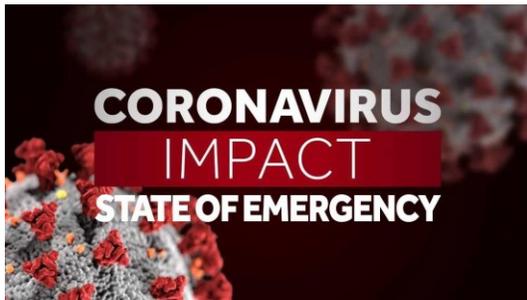
Your support is truly
appreciated!

All Seasons Lodge (June 2009)
Bachecki, Crom & Co., LLP (November 2015)
California Life Sciences Association (April 2009)
Dead Eye Coffee Bar (May 2018)
Dela Rama Dental Care (November 2016)
El Faro Mexican Food (June 2007)
Financial Partners Credit Union (November 2016)
Four Points by Sheraton/Bistro 1 2 3 (August 2001)
Gateway Child Development Center, SSF (June 2016)

Hilton Garden Inn SFO North (April 1999)
Incline Insurance Services, Inc. (November 2020)
JP Logistics, Inc. (November 2015)
La Nueva Perla Restaurant (June 2012)
Los Compadres Taqueria (September 2020)
SM8 (June 2021)
San Francisco Bay Ferry (August 2005)
San Mateo County Supervisor, Dave Pine (August 2011)
Speed Wash (July 2001)
SSF Elks Lodge #2091 (June 1998)
The Back Doctor (November 2006)
Tina's Bridal & Creations (August 2021)
Veronica M. Herrera, Enrolled Agent (November 2016)

Legislative Watch List

We take care of politics so you can take care of your business



[California to end the COVID state of emergency](#)

CalMatters



[Factors to Consider When Deciding Whether to Pay for "Try-Out" Time](#)

CalChamber Alert

Chairman Circle Members

Chairman's Circle members receive benefits above and beyond typical membership, with the highest visibility at Chamber events and in publications

Chairman Circle – GOLD MEMBER



Chairman Circle – SILVER MEMBERS



Chairman Circle – BRONZE MEMBERS



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