

February 2020



## Our monthly news & updates

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### President Jim McGuire

#### Greetings Chamber Members and Happy 2020!

No, you are not experiencing déjà vu – I am back serving one more term as your President of the Board. I am honored to be re-elected and I look forward to another successful and busy year with our Chamber! I would like to give a big thank you to our outgoing President, **Dean Grubl** and Vice President, **Paul Formosa** for their great contributions throughout 2019. Their loyalty and dedication to our Chamber and our members is very much appreciated and I look forward to working with them this year on the Board. The incoming Vice President is fellow hotelier and friend, **Jeff MacDonald** – Hotel Manager for the LaQuinta Inn and Suites by Wyndham. Congratulations Jeff – we are going to make a great team!



Our Board of Directors recently had a very successful and productive retreat, under the direction of our talented CEO **Liza Normandy**. We have rolled out and fine-tuned an effective Strategic Plan that will be focusing on the Education Foundation, Advocacy, Rebranding, Member Outreach and Communication and more! Yes, your Chamber logo will have a new and fresh look – new decade, new logo! Stay tuned.

You will be hearing a lot more from your Board of Directors as well this year. First, as you will see in this newsletter, each month you will have the opportunity to learn a little more about the Board in the monthly article “**Meet Director**”. This month, you will meet **Director Kevin Worth** with Kaiser Permanente. Additionally, I have asked each Board member to “adopt” a group of members - we will all have a group of members that we will reach out to throughout the year to see what the Chamber can do for you, and what you are doing to realize your fullest membership investment. We will be involved and engaged with you, our valued members.

We promise another elegant and exciting **Annual Recognition & Business Awards on Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** at the South San Francisco Conference Center. As always, we will be recognizing and honoring some very special and well deserving individuals and companies. You don't want to miss it! Invitations will soon be forthcoming!

Your Chamber of Commerce has great Facebook and Twitter presence, so if you haven't “liked” the Chamber's page, or you are not following us on Twitter, please do so! There are always updates on what's going on with the Chamber, its members and the exciting projects happening all around us. Like us today! Follow us today!

I wish everyone a very successful and healthy 2020 and with your help, I am looking forward to one of the best years the Chamber has seen!  
See you next month or sooner...

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**Meet SSF Chamber of Commerce Director Kevin Worth, RN, MS, CNS  
Executive Director Risk Management and Patient Safety  
Kaiser Permanente Northern California Region**

Kevin joined the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce in 2018. At the time, Kevin was the Area Quality Leader for Kaiser Permanente South San Francisco and San Francisco Medical centers. Kevin was later promoted to a regional Executive leadership role.



Early in his career, Kevin, a native New Yorker, worked in fashion and financial advertising on Madison Avenue in New York. Kevin came to the Bay Area for a summer graduate school placement, more than 30 years ago, and well, just never left!

Kevin has been a Registered Nurse and Clinical Nurse Specialist for more than 25 years, the majority of which he has happily spent at Kaiser Permanente in a variety of leadership roles. Kevin's education includes Iona College, The University of Notre Dame, The University of California and The Harvard Business School.

*"I get tremendous personal and professional satisfaction from my service with the South San Francisco Chamber," Kevin says. "Our community is culturally diverse and quite sophisticated -- a wonderful balance of small-town heart and big city brain!"*

Areas of Kevin's passion include ensuring the highest standards of patient safety in healthcare settings, optimal healthcare access and working to solve disparities in healthcare.

Kevin's area of community and professional service have also included Board Service as President of the Horizons Foundation and President of the UCSF School of Nursing Alumni Board. Kevin is also a past Commissioner on Aging for San Mateo County.

Kevin currently serves on the Board of The Friendship House Association of American Indians and CAL Hospital Compare, a statewide Patient Safety organization.

Kevin and his partner Mark are residents of San Bruno. They continue to restore a family cabin in the Sierra foothills.

## **Member News & Announcements**

**SSF Chamber of Commerce Higher Education Scholarship 2020**



On behalf of Tony Clifford, Chair of the Education Scholarship Committee and South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, we are pleased to announce the sponsorship of college scholarships.

The scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors that are residents of South San Francisco. Scholarship application/resume/essay must be submitted to the South San Francisco Chamber office no later than Wednesday, March 11, 2020 by 4:00pm.

The winner and a guest will be invited to a hosted luncheon on April 23, 2020 at the South San Francisco Elks Lodge, where awards and certificates will be presented at the luncheon.

Please review the attached documents for more detailed information. Should there be any questions about the scholarship program, please contact us at 650-588-1911 or email us at [info@ssfchamber.com](mailto:info@ssfchamber.com)

[Click HERE for our Full Information Packet](#)



### **Is Your Company Hiring?**

*Dear Employer,*

*You are invited to participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> biennial Career & Resource Fair hosted by the City of South San Francisco, in partnership with the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.*

*This is a free service we are offering to our local employers who are currently looking to fill various positions within their organizations.*

Participant benefits include:

- **FREE** registration for participating employers
- Access to a diverse talent pool at one time and in one setting
- Designated space for employers who wish to conduct on-site interviews
- Lunch for up to two company representatives
- Free resume review/job search workshop to attract job seekers

**WHEN:** Friday, April 24, 2020

**TIME:** 9:00am – 2:00pm

**LOCATION:** Municipal Services Building, 33 Arroyo Drive, South San Francisco

**To reserve your FREE table, complete the [attached employer registration form](#) and either email to [ssfjobfair@ssf.net](mailto:ssfjobfair@ssf.net) or fax to (650) 829-6698. DO NOT WAIT...SPACE IS LIMITED!**



# The City of South San Francisco CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION



# General Art Show &

*All You Need is Love* **Karaoke  
N i g h t**  
Friday, February 14 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  
First come, first served Last song at 7:50 p.m.

### Admission Free

**MUNICIPAL  
SERVICES  
BUILDING**  
33 Arroyo Drive

### ART GALLERY HOURS

**Friday** February 14  
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
**Saturday** February 15  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



For information and guidelines:  
**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**  
PH: (650) 829-3800  
WEB: [www.ssf.net/culturalarts](http://www.ssf.net/culturalarts)



**South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce  
2020 Annual Recognition & Business Awards Dinner  
Chairman Circle Sponsors:  
Genentech ~ South San Francisco Scavenger Co. ~ Kaiser Permanente  
Tri Counties Bank ~ Kilroy Realty Corporation ~California Water Service ~Liberty Bank**

**Special Event Sponsors**

- \***Gold Sponsorship \$1000:** 2 tickets to event, prominent placement and logo inclusion on marketing materials, social media, newsletter, event program, stage recognition, and prime seating.
- \* **Silver Sponsorship \$650:**1 ticket to event, recognition via programs, newsletter & social media, & prime seating.
- \* **Bronze Sponsorship \$250:** recognition via programs, newsletter & social media

**Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sponsorship Level:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Contact Person & Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, March 5, 2020**  
Reception: 6:00 p.m. Dinner: 7:00 p.m.  
South San Francisco Conference Center 255 South Airport Blvd., SSF

**Outstanding Business Award Recipients**

Emerging Business of the Year  
Luminous Day Spa, Luminous 2

Innovation/Sustainability  
SSF Scavenger Co., City of SSF Public Works Dept., City of SSF Parks & Recreation Department, and Zarc

Excellence in Small Business  
Dead Eye Coffee Bar

Legacy Award  
California Water Service

Sponsor of the Year  
Best Western Plus Grosvenor Hotel

Community Involvement  
Armstrong Brewing Co.

Special Recognition  
Cesar Dominguez

Chamber Board Director of the Year  
Paul Formosa

Dick Noftsgger Lifetime Achievement Award  
Pete Carcione

Joe Fernekes Volunteer of the Year  
Kathy Hoffman

**Mayor's Award: Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)**

Menu: Tray Passed Appetizers, No Host Bar, Surf & Turf or Vegetarian (Grilled Vegetable Ratatouille)  
Dinner includes: Salad, Rolls, Dessert, Red and White Wine

**ADVANCE RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT REQUIRED**

**Name/s** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Reserve** \_\_\_\_\_ places @ \$85.00 per person early bird price tickets purchased by February 14, 2020  
\$100 per person for tickets purchased February 15 – 28, 2020  
\$125.00 per person for tickets purchased February 29 – March 5, 2020 (based on availability/open seating)  
**Surf & Turf** \_\_\_\_\_ **Vegetarian** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Check Enclosed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Visa /MC/AMEX** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp.** \_\_\_\_\_

RSVP to <http://www.ssfchamber.com/2020-annual-recognition-dinner-and-business-awards/>

South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce – 213 Linden Avenue, SSF – ph: 650-588-1911 – web: [www.ssfchamber.com](http://www.ssfchamber.com)

*Please Join Us!*



*15th Annual Benefit for Our Rising Stars*



## *Step Into Spring*

Soroptimist International of North San Mateo County presents an evening of entertainment, silent auction, unique exhibits, and delicious refreshments.



Friday, March 6, 2020  
5:30 - 8:00 pm  
Tickets \$30

Municipal Services Building Social Hall  
33 Arroyo Drive, South San Francisco



Soroptimist International is a global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment.  
[soroptimistnorthsanmateocounty.org](http://soroptimistnorthsanmateocounty.org)

*Educate Empower Enable*

*Soroptimist International of North San Mateo County  
15th Annual Step Into Spring, Friday March 6, 2020, 5:30-8pm*

\_\_\_\_\_ Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$30.00 each for a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_. Please mail by Friday, February 28, 2020, for your tickets to be available at WILL CALL.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am unable to attend, but please accept my gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in support of Soroptimist programs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to "SI North San Mateo County"  
Return to: SINSMC, P.O. Box 5554, SSF, CA 94083

Contributions are tax deductible, less the value of any goods or services provided.

South San Francisco Police Association's  
**St. Patrick's Day Dinner**  
18th Annual

Enjoy an evening of entertainment and the chance  
to win door prizes!

Sunday March 8, 2020  
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM – Social Mixer  
5:00 PM Dinner

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

Pat Sullivan's World Famous Corned Beef and Cabbage with all the trimmings!

The purchase of a ticket includes one raffle ticket.  
Additional tickets may be purchased at the event.

\$40.00/Person Donation may be made to:  
SSFPD Survivor Benefit Fund  
Tax ID # 94-2414766

Tickets are \$10.00 for children 12 and under

**Tickets In Person:**

South San Francisco Police Department  
33 Arroyo Drive, Suite C  
South San Francisco

**Tickets By Mail:**

Rich and Elaine Garbarino  
400 Avalon Drive  
South San Francisco, CA 94080  
Send self-addressed stamped envelope

For ticket information contact Records Supervisor Roxanne Cole, Records  
Specialist Letty Beard at (650) 877-8900 or The Garbarino's at (650) 872-1143



**I would like to attend the St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

Enclosed is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Person(s)  
Dinner selections: \_\_\_\_ Corned Beef \_\_\_\_ Chicken

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Tickets by Monday February 24, 2020







# PROGRESS SEMINAR



Business • Government • Community

**Join us in celebrating 51 years of collaboration on regional issues  
April 24<sup>th</sup> - April 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 • Hyatt Regency Sonoma Wine Country**

Registration includes: Hosted Networking Receptions Friday and Saturday evening, Saturday Breakfast & Opening General Session, All Breakout Sessions, Hosted Coffee Break, Saturday Luncheon & General Session, Saturday Evening Networking Dinner, Sunday Breakfast & Closing General Session. All registration materials, taxes and gratuities included.

Register at <https://redwoodcitychamber.com> • Participant Registration \$750

Accommodations at the Hyatt Regency Sonoma Wine Country are not included in this registration and must be booked separately at <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/SONOM/G-PROG> or by calling (707) 284-1234

Questions? [maggie@redwoodcitychamber.com](mailto:maggie@redwoodcitychamber.com) or (650) 364-1722

## 2020 Progress Seminar Co-Chairs



Assembly Speaker Pro Tem  
Kevin Mullin,  
CA State Assembly District 22



Supervisor Carole Green,  
President, San Mateo County  
Board of Supervisors, District 2



Rosanne Fount,  
President & CEO, SAMCEDA  
Deputy Chair, Redwood City-San Mateo  
County Chamber of Commerce

*Your registration is not a charitable contribution, however may be a deductible business expense.  
All registrations are non-refundable after March 24, 2020*

**Connect with us  
@rcsmcchamber  
#PS20**

2020 Signature Sponsor





Please check out our new website  
[www.ssfchamber.com](http://www.ssfchamber.com)

You can now RSVP and pay for any events by going to the calendar section and clicking on the event/s you want to attend. Registration for SSF Chamber members only. Not a Chamber member yet? Contact the Chamber at [info@ssfchamber.com](mailto:info@ssfchamber.com), or [ssfchamber.com](http://ssfchamber.com).

Please follow us on Facebook for member announcements and latest Chamber news.

**Chamber Mixer & Networking Event**  
**Costco Business Center**  
**Thursday, February 20, 2020**  
**8:30am – 9:30am**  
900 Dubuque Avenue, SSF  
*Bring your Business Card to enter a drawing for a \$25 Costco Gift Card*

**Annual Recognition & Business Awards**  
*(note: date change)*  
**Thursday, March 5, 2020**  
**Reception: 6:00pm – Dinner: 7:00pm**  
South San Francisco Conference Center  
255 South Airport Blvd., SSF  
*\$85.00 per person early bird price tickets purchased by February 14, 2020*  
*\$100.00 per person for tickets purchased February 15 – 28, 2020*  
*\$125.00 per person for tickets purchased February 29 – March 5, 2020 (based on availability)*  
[RSVP!](#)

**2020 State of the City Address & Luncheon**  
**Presented by Mayor Richard Garbarino**  
**Monday, April 6, 2020**  
**11:30am – 1:30pm**

AC Hotel SFO/Oyster Point Waterfront  
1333 Veterans Blvd., SSF  
Entrée (select one): Salmon, Chicken, Vegetarian  
Seating is limited.

Register early to guarantee your seat.

\$45.00pp Chamber Member/

\$60.00pp Non-Chamber Member

Payment in advance

[RVSP!](#)

**Higher Education Scholarship Luncheon**  
**Thursday, April 23, 2020**  
**11:30am – 1:30pm**

South San Francisco Elks Lodge

920 Stonegate Drive, SSF

Lunch Cost: \$40.00pp

**City of SSF Career & Resource Fair – FREE!**

**Friday, April 24, 2020**

**9:00am – 10:00am**

**(early entry for SSF residents)**

**10:00am – 2:00pm – open to the general public**

MSB Building – Social Hall

33 Arroyo Drive, SSF

For more information contact

[Yvette.mindeguia@ssf.net](mailto:Yvette.mindeguia@ssf.net)

**Taste of South San Francisco**

**Friday, November 13, 2020**

**12:00– 2:00pm**

South San Francisco Conference Center

255 So. Airport Blvd., SSF

\$25.00 pp in Advance

Raffle Prizes Galore!!!

[www.ssfchamber.com](http://www.ssfchamber.com)

## Legislative Watch List

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



**Employees' Biggest Office Offenses in the Modern Workplace**

[Article Credit: CalChamber](#)



**Top 20 Small Business Tax Mistakes**

[Article Credit: Small Business Trends](#)



**Ordinance # 1588-2019**

Municipal Code pertaining to sale of tobacco, flavored tobacco, and electronic smoking devices.

SSF Businesses that sell the above products must comply by March 31st to avoid a fine for noncompliance

[CLICK!](#)



**San Bruno Mountain Watch**

Ariel Cherbowsky Corkidi  
44 Visitacion Ave, Suite 206  
Brisbane, CA 94005  
(415)467-6631  
[info@mountainwatch.org](mailto:info@mountainwatch.org)  
<https://www.mountainwatch.org>

**SVS Group  
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**Your support is truly appreciated!**

- AC Hotel SFO/Oyster Point Waterfront (April 2017)
- Amoura Café (October 2009)
- Apex Maritime Co., Inc. (June 1992)
- Assembly Member Kevin Mullin 22<sup>nd</sup> Assembly District (January 2013)
- Bay Logistics, Inc. (March 2012)
- BLT Construction (February 2011)
- Brother's Furniture Warehouse (January 2008)
- Costco Wholesale (January 1987)
- Crain Marketing, Inc. (January 2019)
- DSV Air & Sea Inc. (May 2005)

El Camino Florist *(January 2016)*  
EFI Logistics, Inc. *(March 2004)*  
Forensic Legal Nurse Consultant, Karen Tomczak *(February 2012)*  
Grand Avenue Hardware *(November 2012)*  
HPL-Apollo Perishable Logistics, Inc. *(May 2017)*  
Hoyt Shepston, Inc. *(May 1991)*  
Kintetsu World Express (U.S.A.), Inc. *(October 1997)*  
Mega Trans *(November 1997)*  
Morrow Service Inc. *(February 1995)*  
Nippon Express USA, Inc. *(May 1995)*  
Noatum Logistics USA LLC, *(May 1991)*  
Oyster Point Dragons *(January 2018)*  
Peet's Coffee & Tea *(January 2007)*  
Poetsch & Peterson *(February 1946)*  
Rohlig USA LLC *(February 2007)*  
Rozzi Reproduction & Supply *(January 2002)*  
SAMCEDA *(February 1997)*  
San Mateo County Harbor District *(January 1979)*  
Sares Regis *(December 2015)*  
Scott Buschman Photography *(January 1999)*  
The Pawington *(February 2014)*  
TIGERS (USA) Global Logistics *(May 1998)*  
Traffic International Corp. *(February 2011)*  
Unity Lutheran *(July 2003)*  
Vandegrift Forwarding Company, Inc. *(February 2009)*  
Wespac Corporation *(January 2012)*

## **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

**Genentech**

*A Member of the Roche Group*

Chairman Circle – Silver Members



**KAISER PERMANENTE** tri counties bank



**KILROY**

Chairman Circle – Bronze Member



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