### May 2020

# South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce

### Our monthly news & updates

Visit our Website

### **President Jim McGuire**

May is now upon us and sheltering in place continues. Zoom, Microsoft Teams, GoToMeetings, Skype, webex and Facetime are burning up not only our computer screens and our smart phones, but our eyes too! We all have been forced to become tech savvy, to the best of our abilities. These platforms are not only for work, they are the conduit to our friends, families and loved ones. They have become our new best friends and they more than likely will be for some time. So, I would like to say thank you to the masterminds behind these creations - our new best friends. They have actually been in our lives for a while now, and just like our friends and loved ones, it is easy to take them for granted until we can't anymore. I don't take anything for granted these days. I do not think many of us do, maybe this is a silver lining in the state of the world now. Our healthcare providers are our modern-day heroes who we should never take for granted. Did you know that the month of May celebrates **National Nurses Week**? It is celebrated



from May 6 – May 12<sup>th</sup>. Let's all join in to celebrate them not just for this week, but every day! Like clockwork, at the stroke of 7PM every day, you can hear your neighbors outside banging on pots and pans, shaking tambourines, blowing horns, clapping and screaming for our healthcare workers and everything they are doing to help save as many lives during this pandemic. Don't be shy! Get out there and join in. They are listening and it makes them feel appreciated. We love them!

May also celebrates another special person in our lives on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> – **Happy Mother's Day** to all of the Mom's! **Cinco de Mayo** and Mother's Day will be celebrated differently this year, so don't forget to support our local Chamber members that are open to help celebrate these special occasions in your home! This month also celebrates **National Teacher's Day**, so let's not forget all of our hardworking teachers who are working very hard with your children every day via our video conferencing that I mentioned earlier. They deserve a lot of credit!

I am hopeful that you had the chance to see my video message last month. Every April, the Chamber hosts its annual "**Higher Education Scholarship Program**". In light of the mandated shelter-in-place, we had to cancel the event this year. But the good news is that we still awarded the scholarships to the well deserving students of South San Francisco. Fellow **Board Director Tony Clifford**, who chairs this event, along with the **Education Scholarship Committee**, worked very hard to select the recipients of theses scholarships. In lieu of hosting our awards luncheon, these well-deserving students received their scholarship checks in the mail with a special message from their sponsor. The student had the chance to get to know who sponsored their scholarship, what company they work for and a special message for them. Our sponsors, in return, got to know the student, what high school they are

attending, what their career goal is, where they are planning to go to college and other information like their community service, work - and hobbies they have accomplished.

These students are amazing, to say the least, and this program is one of the Chamber's highlights of the year. Congratulations to ALL of the scholarship recipients – you truly are amazing young ladies and gentleman and you have done our community proud!

Once again, although our events, mixers, meetings and other Chamber events have been temporarily placed on hold, that doesn't mean that your Chamber Board of Directors have put things on hold. The Chamber staff and BOD are still very much engaged and working very hard for our membership.

Be sure to check our Facebook and Twitter feeds for updates on a regular basis. Please stay safe and healthy and please stay home.

### **Member News & Announcements**



### 2020 Higher Education Scholarship Program

We wanted to take a moment and say to ALL our Sponsors & Congratulations to our Scholarship Awardees!

As you know, in light of the COVID-19, the April 23 Scholarship luncheon was cancelled.

The good news is that **30 deserving students** receive scholarship monies.

The Chamber will be connecting our Students with their Sponsors with the hope that they will connect via zoom or in person when the time permits.

It is because of the generosity of our members who voluntarily made a Chamber Education Contribution along with their membership dues, to our Chairman Circle Members & our Community that made this happen THANK YOU!!

Gratitude goes out to our application reviewers: Diane Huddleston, Kathy Hoffman, Lisa DeMattei, Marie Patea & Tony Clifford who had the hard task of reading over 49 applications....

<u>A round of applause for our Sponsors :</u> Golden Gate Produce Terminal LTS (5) Scholarships Terminal Dealers Association (1) Kaiser Permanente (6) Scholarships Nicolas Family Scholarship ~ (1) four-year commitment Rotary Club of SSF (2) Scholarships R&A Janitorial - Nava Family Scholarship Chajinel Home Care Services Penna Realty Basque Cultural Center Clifford Family Scholarship California Water Service Co Genentech SSF Chamber Board of Director's Kilroy Realty Corporation Liberty Bank Tri Counties Bank Peninsula Clean Energy Soroptimist of North San Mateo County SSF Scavenger Co. SSF Women's Club SSF Friends of Parks & Recreation (in memory of Richard Holt)



### Great Plates Delivered: Home meals for Seniors \*DEADLINE IS TODAY at 12pm \*

On April 24, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of a first-in-the-nation "Great Plates Delivered" program, a meal delivery service for California's older adults. Great Plates Delivered has two purposes: Help seniors and other adults at high risk from COVID-19 to stay home and stay healthy by delivering three nutritious meals a day, and

Provide essential economic stimulus to local businesses struggling to stay afloat during the COVID-19 crisis.

Local programs are getting set up rapidly. The current due date for accepting Letters of Intent to participate is **Monday**, **May 4th**, **at noon**.

Want your restaurant to participate? Click here to Apply! The South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce & the City of South San Francisco continue to collaborate to compile a list of Restaurants, Food and Beverage Establishments for the SSF Community to order from, to pick up, to have delivered & SUPPORT!

Please contact the business directly to get details on hours and specific menu items they are offering. Our restaurants need your support more than ever.

Even if you're still cooking at home, buy a gift card from your favorite establishment to show your support & it also helps practice social distancing.

Please email <u>liza@ssfchamber.com</u> with changes and updates to restaurant information.



LLICK here for our List !



We are donating our time to restaurants offering carry-out, and delivery

Restaurants are facing a crisis. How you choose to respond right now can determine the future of your small business.

Until a Covid-19 vaccine is discovered and distributed (estimated 2021), we believe local diners will continue to opt for carry-out, and delivery.

How will locals know about your new hours, new carry-out and delivery menu, and new safety guidelines?

My company, METAROOTS has had great success helping small business owners build their restaurant's brand on social media, and getting the message out.

My staff and I are here to help YOU! We are donating our time during San Mateo County's Shelter-in-Place Order to help small business owners build their restaurant's communications on social media.

Specifically, we can help you set up your social media pages, and create content for your restaurant to let locals know your restaurant is open.

We're in this together.

If you are a restaurant opening for carry-out, and delivery, and need help getting the message out on social media, contact Simon at <u>Simon@metaroots.com</u>, or message us on our Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/metaroots</u>.





### Pop-Up YKids - Early Childhood Programs

Thank you for your interest in Pop-Up YKids. Due to the nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are prioritizing childcare for families who are unable to provide alternate care for their youth during this time. Space is limited.

Please note that all youth enrolled in Pop-Up YKids will participate in a daily temperature check. In addition, all staff and parents will complete a health questionnaire each morning.

# We currently have 3 different locations, and may open an additional San Mateo location:

#### Locations Serving Ages 3 mo. - 5 yr.

•	YMCA Branch: Childcare Location:	Mission YMCA Preschool Center 4080 Mission St., San Francisco, CA 94112
•	YMCA Branch: Childcare Location:	Peninsula Family YMCA Gateway Child Development Center 559 Gateway Blvd., South San Francisco, CA 94080
•	YMC Branch: Childcare Location:	Stonestown Family YMCA Lutheran Church of Our Savior 1011 Garfield St., San Francisco, CA 94132

#### Locations Serving Ages 5 yr. - 12 yr.

•	YMCA Branch: Childcare Location:	Mission YMCA Preschool Center 4080 Mission St., San Francisco, CA 94112
•	YMCA Branch: Childcare Location:	Richmond District YMCA Argonne Club House 463 18 <sup>th</sup> Ave., San Francisco, CA 94121
•	YMCA Branch: Childcare Location:	Stonestown Family YMCA Stonestown Annex 3150 20 <sup>th</sup> Ave., San Francisco, CA 94132

#### Potential San Mateo Location for Ages 3 mo. - 12 yr.

٠	YMCA Branch:	Peninsula Family YMCA
	Childcare Location:	Childwatch Wellness Facility
		1877 S. Grant St., San Mateo, CA 94402





### To Enroll, please e-mail <u>popup2020@vmcasf.org</u> answers to the following questions:

- What essential duties are you being required to deliver at this time that requires you to need childcare?
- What is your preferred Popup YKids location? (We suggest you provide 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> choice)
- 3. Please provide the name(s) and age(s) of youth to attend.
- 4. What days do you require childcare?
- Are you currently enrolled in a childcare / school program that is closed? If so, which program / school?
- 6. Your name (parent / guardian)
- Best contact phone number (we will be making phone calls to families enrolled)

For questions, or to request additional information, please email: popup2020@vmcasf.org

U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# Shop local. We're in this together. Local businesses need your support now more than ever.



Get it to go. Order from your local restaurants and bars via delivery service, to-go, or curbside pickup.



Buy in advance. Purchase gift cards or book services from local businesses to use at a future date.



Follow along. Your favorite local businesses are online and sharing specific ways you can support them.



Shop small online. Websites haven't closed and it's important to leave positive reviews for local vendors and businesses.



Stay looped in. Keep up with your memberships, and with services that are still offered online.



Say thank you. Many business owners and workers are risking their health to provide critical products and services. Be thankful.



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



CA Small Business Development Center, COVID-19 Small Business Resource Booklet

Click here!



Restaurant Relief Info from the California Restaurant Association

Click here!



#### Small Business and Nonprofit Evictions Suspended

This suspension is in effect citywide until May 31, 2020, unless extended by the City Council. Tenants will be required to pay back any rent owed after the suspension ends.

**Click here!** 



### IMPORTANT! New Micro Loan Program for South San Francisco Small Businesses Opens Wednesday, May 6th

Small businesses in South San Francisco have an opportunity to apply for forgivable micro loans, for either \$10,000 or \$15,000. Businesses that meet preliminary eligibility criteria will be selected through a lottery to be considered for a loan.

To read more, visit our Facebook page

Informational Webinar: Tomorrow Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 9:30 am to hear about the program requirements, understand what kind of documents will be needed in the application, and ask questions.

Register for the live webinar here: <u>https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8463092</u> 038686000656

# EVERYONE MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING\*

Covering your face is now mandatory and helps prevent the spread of COVID-19.



Masks, bandanas, scarves, and cloth can be used. \* This order does not apply to those 12 years old and less.

## ...AND STAY 6 FEET APART

### Todos deben de usar una cobertura facial\*

Cubrirse la cara ahora es obligatorio y ayuda a prevenir la propagación de COVID-19. Se pueden usar máscaras, pañuelos, bufandas y telas.

\* Esta orden no aplica a aquellos que tengan 12 años de edad o menos.

....y mantenerse a 6 pies de distancia.

### 每个人都必须佩带面罩\*

现在要求强制性佩带面罩,帮助防止新型冠状病毒地传播。 口罩,头巾,围巾和布料都可以。

\*该规定不适用于12岁及以下人群。

### ...并且保持6尺社交安全距离

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

www.smcgov.org

SAN MATEO



City of South San Francisco, Business Recovery Resources Click here!

SAMCEDA, Assistance & Guidance for Businesses and Workers impacted by Covid-19 Click here!

Resources for Employers and Workers (COVID-19) Click here!

EDD provides a variety of support services to individuals affected by COVID-19 in California. <u>Click here!</u>

U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Coronavirus Small Business Guide Click here!

All of the can be found via <u>www.ssfchamber.com</u> as we receive more information, we will add it to our website



The Children's Cottage (Child Care/Education) South San Francisco Ligia Naves (650)255-2568 Ligia1961@att.net

### Grand Hyatt at SFO

Denise Geronimo Associate Director of Sales 55 South McDonnell Road San Francisco, CA 94128 (650) 452-1234 D (650) 502 6072 Denise.Geronimo@hyatt.com grandhyattatsfo.com

Grand Hyatt at the SFO is the only "on airport" hotel at San Francisco International Airport. Grant Hyatt at SFO is seamlessly connected to all five SFO terminals, Rental Car Center and SFO BART via the SFO Air Train. Grand Hyatt at SFO's signature restaurant; Quail & Crane offers a multicultural dining experience featuring the bounty of Northern California.



Allstore Center *(May 1997)* Binex Line Corp. *(May 2011)* Brentwood Holding Company, LP *(April 2016)* City of South San Francisco *(May 1988)* Days Inn *(May 2017)* 





2020 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### BOARD MEMBERS CONT .... President Jim McGuire Best Western Plus Grosvenor Hotel Gig Codiga **Christina** Ng Grand Palace Restaurant Genentech Vice-President **Dave Gallagher** Jeff MacDonald Madison Street Press **Gus Shihadeh** La Quinta Inn and Suites SFO North Amoura Treasurer **Debbie Watkins** Mia Garcia Paul Formosa SSF Scavenger Company South City Notary & Tax Liberty Bank Ex-Officio Dean Grubl **Mike Futrell** Kevin Worth SSF Conference Center City of South San Francisco Kaiser Permanente Kathy Hoffman BOARD MEMBERS California Water Service CEO Liza Normandy **Tony Clifford** Jim Metz AAA Clifford Advanced Business Forms Staff Linda Parenti **Bill Benavides** Natalia Morales Arlene Dozier **BLT** Construction Kilroy Realty Corporation Matthew Butler Tri Counties Bank