If you are a fan of popcorn popping, pretzels, caramel or cookies, this is your month! That's right - October is the month to celebrate these delicious treats. A lot of us think of Oktoberfest, pumpkin spice, apple cider and Halloween, but someone - someplace, thinks up these other ideas to celebrate in the month. Probably someone that was born in the October's birth sign of either Libra or Scorpio, I imagine. You guessed it - it's also "National Sarcasm Month" - I actually like that one. However, October tips its hat to more serious causes such as Breast Cancer Awareness and Domestic Violence Awareness. Cyber Security and Adopt A Shelter Dog calls October their month as well.

October also puts us one month closer to one of our favorite events - the Taste of South San Francisco! This year we celebrate our 32nd year and it will be another delicious event that you do not want to miss out on! This is your chance to showcase your food and beverage specialties, mingle with fellow Chamber members and satisfy your hunger with the most delicious cuisine in South City! If you do not participate as a vendor, please attend as a hungry patron! Whether or not you offer food and beverage services at your business, this is a great opportunity to become a Sponsor of this great event and get your name out in front of hundreds of potential customers! We have three (3) levels of sponsorship; Gold - $500, Silver - $250 or Bronze - $150. Please do yourself a favor, and RSVP for this great event to showcase your business, purchase tickets, and/or become a sponsor!

Mark your calendars for Friday, November 9th from 12N - 2PM at the South San Francisco Conference Center. You will be so happy.
you did...and your satisfied bellies will be forever grateful!

Congratulations to Chamber member 7-Eleven for hosting their Kick-Off Event on September 10th for their sustainability efforts and their RENEW - Reduced Emissions Program. We were joined by San Mateo County Board President Dave Pine for this ribbon cutting event. In less than one year's time, 7-Eleven has planted over 80,000 trees in Portland, Oregon, Seattle, Washington and Wisconsin and offset over 24,000 metric tons of carbon emissions through their RENEW reduced emissions fuel program. They have now brought this program to South City. So, please do your part by simply pumping your gas at our 7-Eleven store and know that every time you fill up at 7-Eleven, the RENEW program reduces your emissions and plants trees in order to support our community!

Costco Business Center's General Manager John Venezia hosted us also in September for a morning mixer. If you haven't visited this Costco on Dubuque Ave., you are missing out! You can find your business supplies here without a doubt! A special thank you to John and Reina Irias for hosting us in your beautiful location, and Happy 1 Year Anniversary on your new store. Thank you also to Mayor Pro Tem Karyl Matsumoto and County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors David Canepa for attending this event.

Please join us for the ribbon cutting at the newly renovated Teen Center for the Boys & Girls Club of North San Mateo County, 201 W. Orange Ave. on Thursday, October 11th at 5PM and be sure to sign up for our upcoming Breakfast & Learn event with a very interesting topic - "Understanding Your Energy Bill and PCE Benefits" on Thursday, October 18th from 8AM - 9:30AM at the Best Western Plus Grosvenor Hotel. Special Guest Speakers will include SMC Board President Supervisor Dave Pine and SSF City Council Member and PCE Board Member Pradeep Gupta!

As usual, keep an eye on the Calendar of Events on our website. There are always new events popping up that you should not miss. Take advantage of all of our great events to network with your fellow Chamber members so everyone can learn more about YOUR business. Your Chamber of Commerce is working hard for you, so please be sure to take advantage of your membership as often as you can.

Have a spooky month!

A Message from Kevin Worth, Board of Directors

As the area quality leader for Kaiser Permanente's South San Francisco and San Francisco Medical Centers, I'm proud to help represent and drive our world-class health quality and patient safety initiatives. I'm also proud for the many ways we support Kaiser Permanente's mission to improve the health of the communities that we serve.
Kaiser Permanente has had a presence in South San Francisco since the late 1940s when the health care organization began providing care at the request of shipyard workers. In 1953, we opened a full-service hospital when we assumed the management of South San Francisco General Hospital. In those days, South San Francisco was an industrial city, and Kaiser Permanente had an established history of providing comprehensive, cost-effective health care to industrial workers.

Today, South San Francisco is a welcoming and culturally diverse community that combines the feeling of a small town with urban sophistication. Kaiser Permanente South San Francisco's tradition of full-service community health care continues today, offering a full spectrum of services and nationally recognized quality.

Recently, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked our South San Francisco Medical Center number six in the San Francisco Metro Area, and we were ranked in the top 50 in Northern California. We also were rated high performing in three conditions and procedures: heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and knee replacement. We received a Grade "A" for patient safety from the rating agency Leapfrog.

The South San Francisco Medical Center is also a renowned as a cancer center. The American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer (CoC) awarded our oncology program a three-year accreditation with commendation as a designated Comprehensive Community Cancer Program.

I’ve happily spent most of my career in San Mateo County with Kaiser Permanente, working here 12 out of the past 15 years, and feel lucky to work with our compassionate, dedicated, community-based staff who provide care.

A native New Yorker, I’m a father of two, a grandfather of two, and have lived in San Bruno for 15 years. I’ve been an active member of the community, as a past Commissioner on Aging for San Mateo County, and a former member of the Board of Directors of the San Mateo Police Athletic League. Currently, I’m on the board of the San Francisco Friendship House, a drug and alcohol recovery center for Native Americans, which I’ve been involved with since I started volunteering there in nursing school some years ago.

At Kaiser Permanente, we want to know what our members think about the services they receive and their ideas for improvement. To facilitate this, I helped develop our Patient Advisory Council, a diverse group of members and employees who brainstorm solutions to various issues. We were one of the pilot sites for this program, which has been very successful and is now established at all of our Northern California medical centers.

Kaiser Permanente is committed to addressing the health impacts of climate change. We recently installed more than 100 new solar panels and made other equipment upgrades. This investment is part of Kaiser Permanente’s program-wide goal of being carbon neutral by 2020 and carbon positive by 2025.

Our Medical Center is an anchor for the local community, both as an employer and health care provider. We work and receive care here, and
CEO’s Message

Technology is always moving faster than we do, try using short codes and key words to engage customers. Did you see our training modules on Facebook and Twitter? Make sure you follow us for weekly tid bits to help you and your business grow!

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CONGRATULATIONS to SSF Chamber Director David Gallagher on his first Grandchild! **Lukas John Wimmer** 9/20/18 6 lbs 11oz 19 inches.

Liza
liza@ssfchamber.com
direct line: 650-588-5083

Not a member (yet??) click: [http://www.ssfchamber.com/membership/](http://www.ssfchamber.com/membership/) for our Membership Investment Chart & Application or call us at 650-588-1911 with any questions and we are happy to assist you in the process.

**Legislative Watch List** - We take care of politics, so you can take care of your business

**Get Ready for Next Year’s Minimum Wage Increases**

As 2018 winds down, it’s time to prepare for the minimum wage changes that begin January 1, 2019. A little refresher on how we got here: In 2016, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. signed SB 3, making California the first state in the nation that committed
to raising the minimum wage to $15 per hour statewide. Under the bill, California's minimum wage increases annually so it hits $15 per hour for all businesses by 2023.

The staggered minimum wage increases over the next several years are as follows:

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Member to Member News, Services & Discounts

City of South San Francisco
PUBLIC WORKS
The Industrial City

DOWNTOWN SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO PARKING LOT 2 CLOSURE

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 15, 2018
Lot 2 will permanently close October 15, 2018. The site will be developed into 97 condo units.
Temporary Parking Lot 18 at 201 Baden Avenue is available for surface lot permit holders.
For more information about development projects in South San Francisco, visit:
http://construction.ssf.net
The South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce presents

Taste of South San Francisco

Come enjoy South San Francisco’s Most Exquisite Culinary Cuisine
Showcased By Our Local Food Establishments

Friday, November 9, 2018, 12:00pm – 2:00pm
South San Francisco Conference Center 255 South Airport Blvd., SSF

$25 per person in Advance
Raffle prizes galore!!!

Name ___________________________ Business ___________________________
Address ___________________________ Ph ___________________________ Email/Fax ___________________________

Please reserve ________ table(s) of 10 @ $250
(All tables of 10 will be reserved; all others will be open seating)

Please reserve: ________ tickets @ $25.00 Each | Check enclosed: ___________________________

I wish to be a sponsor: Gold $500 ~ Silver $250 ~ Bronze $150

I would like to donate a raffle prize
☐ $500 Gold Sponsorship – 5 Tickets to event, prominent placement on event marketing and promotional material, event program, recognition in the Business in Brief Newsletter, social media, & Chamber website.

☐ $250 Silver Sponsorship – 3 tickets to the event, placement on event marketing and promotional material, event program, recognition in the Business in Brief Newsletter, social media, & Chamber website.

☐ $150 Bronze Sponsorship – 2 tickets to the event, placement on event marketing and promotional material, event program, recognition in the Business in Brief Newsletter, social media, & Chamber website.

Chairman Circle Sponsors

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Oyster Point Development
Liberty Bank

Saturday, October 13th, 4:00 p.m.
Full Pages, Empty Glasses Book Club
47 Hills, 137 S Linden Ave, SSF, CA 94080

The South San Francisco Library is excited to announce its newest book club "Full Pages, Empty Glasses"! We'll be pairing our books with 47 Hills' beer for a fun and lively discussion. Each month, we'll select a beer to taste and a book that matches its characteristics and meet at the brewery to talk about both. For our first meeting, we're featuring 47 Hills' Farmhouse Ale and reading Same Difference by Derek Kirk Kim. This short, funny book takes place in Oakland and Pacifica and is a perfect complement to a nice cold beer.

Don't feel like reading a graphic novel? Come anyway and tell us what you'd like to read at a future meeting!
You can request the book here.
FULL PAGES empty glasses
HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, INC.
34TH ANNUAL BANQUET
HONORING THE 2018
VICTOR JOHN FEUDALE AWARD RECIPIENTS
♦ RICH & BARBARA IRLI & GLORIA LAGOMARSINO ♦
AND LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT
♦ RAYMOND YOSCHAK ♦

Friday, October 19, 2018
6 PM No Host Cocktails & Complimentary Appetizers
7 PM Dinner
Elks Lodge, 920 Stonegate Drive

MASTER OF CEREMONIES
Former State Assemblyman Gene Mullin

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING, LIVE AUCTION & RAFFLE CONDUCTED BY
Tom Fourle

MENU
Mixed Green Salad
New York Steak or Stuffed Chicken Medallions
Roasted Red Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables
Expresso and Irish Cream Tiramisu

Dinner: $50 per person • Wine: $12 per carafe
Seating: Maximum 10 people per table
Dinner tickets will be held at door.

Banquet Information: Ginny Tilton, Chair (650) 438-5498
Reservations: Donna Smith, (650) 796-9466, donnasmith00@att.net
Deadline: Friday, October 12, 2018 - Please make your reservation early.
Mail reservation form to: Donna Smith, 930 Mission Road #26, South San Francisco, CA 94080

[ ] Contact Person: ____________________________ Phone No. ____________________________
[ ] # of reservations @ $50 per person ________ Total amount enclosed: $ ________
[ ] Name: ____________________________________________
[ ] Meal Choice: __________________________________
[ ] Names of people you wish to sit with: __________________________________________

[ ] Sorry, I am unable to attend, enclosed is my donation of $ ________

PROCEEDS BENEFIT SSF HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM AND PLYMIRE-SCHWARZ HOUSE
The Historical Society of South San Francisco is co-sponsored by the City of South San Francisco Department of Parks & Recreation.

(SSF Chamber Members since July 2005)
Are you up for the challenge?

Project Read’s 26th Annual Trivia Challenge!

Friday, November 16, 2018 from 5:30-9:00 pm
South San Francisco Conference Center
Trivia Teams of three compete in a fun-filled evening
General Admission with dinner: $50
Team Entry Fee with dinner: $400
Several Sponsorship options

Contact Project Read at (650) 829-3871 for more information
Email: triviainfo@ssf.net
www.ssf.net/trivia

South San Francisco Main Library - Literacy Services
PROCEEDS BENEFIT PROJECT READ – NORTH SAN MATEO COUNTY

(SSF Chamber Members since October 2001)
Holiday Champagne Reception & Boutique
Saturday, November 3, 2018
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Benefiting the 113-year old Historical Society of South San Francisco

PLYMIRE-SCHWARZ HOUSE
319 Grand Avenue • South San Francisco

$25 donation at the door — or —
$20 non-refundable, advance donation can be mailed to:
Historical Society of South San Francisco
80 Chestnut Avenue
South San Francisco, California 94080
Please make checks payable to: Historical Society of SSF
Payment MUST be received by October 24th.

Donation Includes:
Tour of the House • Complimentary Beverage
Array of Sweet & Savory Treats

For More Information Contact
Julie • (415) 290-3559 • events@plymirehouse.org

Please join us as we celebrate and showcase our vintage Christmas cheer!

The Historical Society of South San Francisco
PLYMIRE SCHWARZ HOUSE
319 Grand Avenue • South San Francisco, California
www.plymirehouse.org

MAILING ADDRESS
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(SSF Chamber Members since July 2005)
The City of South San Francisco
CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
presents an
Art Gallery event
inspired by the traditions of
DIA DE LOS MUERTOS
Day of the Dead

Featuring
- Pan De Vida - Living Art Ensemble
- Sugar Skull Demo by Eva Portillo
- SSF Recreation Mariachi Students
- Ballet Folklorico of SSF Parks & Recreation
- Special Art Exhibits by Childcare Division

See Cultural Arts webpage for dates & details

FRIDAY October 12
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY October 13
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ADMISSION FREE
MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUILDING
33 Arroyo Drive
South San Francisco

For information and guidelines
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
33 Arroyo Drive, South San Francisco
PH: (650) 829-3800 WEB: “Cultural Arts” page at www.ssf.net/rec

inviting entries in Painting, Photography, Sculpture, Graphics, Specialty crafts and Fiber arts
for an art gallery event inspired by the traditions of DIA DE LOS MUERTOS / DAY OF THE DEAD
http://www.ssf.net/departments/parks-recreation/recreation-division/cultural-arts/current-opportunities-for-artists
PLEASE JOIN THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO WOMEN'S CLUB'S

Fall Soup & Salad Luncheon

BENEFITING THE Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 12:00 PM
AT THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO WOMEN'S CLUB
470 GRAND AVE., SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

$30 per person
Price includes free commemorative cup and door prize entry! Raffle and drink tickets available.

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(SSF Chamber Members since July 2017)

SSF SERVICE CLUBS MEETING LOCATIONS AND TIMES

Kiwanis Club of SSF
www.ssfkiwanis.org
Meets every Tuesday, 12:15pm - 1:30pm at the Basque Cultural Center, 599 Railroad Ave., SSF

Rotary Club of SSF
www.ssfrotary.org
Meets every Thursday, 12:15pm at the Basque Cultural Center, 599 Railroad Ave., SSF

SSF Women's Club
Meets on the first Thursday of the month at 12 noon or 6 pm (650-873-8030) at 470 Grand Ave., SSF

Soroptimist International of No. San Mateo Co.
http://www.soroptimistnorthsanmateocounty.org
Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6pm at the Basque Cultural Center. 599 Railroad Ave., SSF

Upcoming Chamber Events

*NEW* Ribbon Cutting @ Boys & Girls Club of North San Mateo County. Come see our newly renovated Teen Center
Thursday, October 11, 2018
5:00pm - 6:30pm
201 W. Orange Avenue, SSF
#FREE, All are Welcome

Breakfast and Learn: "Understanding your Energy Bill and PCE Benefits"
Thursday, October 18, 2018
8:00am - 9:30am
Best Western Plus Grosvenor Hotel
380 S. Airport Blvd., SSF
Reservations and Payment Required in Advance
Was: $25.00 SSF Chamber Member / $35 Non-Member
Cost for Breakfast has been reduced due to the sponsorship of PCE ...
(limited)
Now: Cost: $10.00 SSF Chamber Member/
$20.00 Non-Member

TIMELINE:
8:00am - Registration/Networking
8:30am - Presentation
Presenter: Kirsten Andrews-Schwind,
Communications & Outreach Manager

Special Guest Speakers:
SMC Board President Supervisor Dave Pine
SSF City Council Member &
PCE Board Member Pradeep Gupta

"Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) is your new electricity provider, serving you with cleaner energy and lower rates. The PCE line on your PG&E bill is not an extra charge!
PCE actually saves you a couple of dollars a month on your bill. PCE is also a locally-governed agency and all of its excess revenues go into creating programs that benefit the communities in San Mateo County. Attend this Breakfast & Learn event to better understand your bill and learn more about PCE's programs."

Representatives from: CalWater and South San Francisco Scavenger will also be attendance, should you

TASTE of South San Francisco
Friday, November 9, 2018
12:00pm - 2:00pm
South San Francisco Conference Center
255 South Airport Boulevard
Cost: $25.00 per person in advance

See's Candies "Sip & Shop"
Tuesday, November 27, 2018
7:00pm - 9:00pm
400 S. Airport Blvd., SSF
Corporate discount on selected items! Drawings! Closed to the public and open to for SSF Chamber members. RSVP required (return order form & catalog will be mailed)

Santa Comes to Town
Saturday December 1, 2018
11:00am - 3:00pm
City Hall - 400 Grand Avenue (Rain or Shine)
~ presented by the City of SSF Parks & Recreation Department, SSF Chamber of Commerce & Kiwanis Club of SSF
All SSF residents, Chamber members, Business owners invited! #FREE

Chairman's Circle Holiday Party
Private event, by invitation only
Thursday, December 6, 2018
5:00pm - 7:00pm

*NEW* Holiday Party and Toy Drive
Thursday, December 13, 2018
5:00pm - 7:00pm
Embassy Suites
250 Gateway Blvd., SSF
All SSF Chamber members are welcome & encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy
All toys benefit the SSF community
Special guest appearance by the SSF Fire Department

*Save the Date* 2019 Annual Recognition and
have questions for them and obtain additional cost saving benefits

*NEW* Genetech Chamber Mixer
Thursday, October 25, 2018
5:00pm - 6:30pm
Location will be in SSF, TBA to confirmed RSVPs
SSF Chamber Members only
* Meet representatives from Genetech, Network with other Chamber Members/Elected Officials & Learn about their upcoming Master Plan for their Campus

Business Awards Dinner
Thursday, February 21, 2019
6:00-7:00pm - No Host Reception
7:15-9:00pm - Dinner & Program
South San Francisco Conference Center
255 South Airport Boulevard
More details coming soon!

*Save the Date* 2019 Higher Education Scholarship Luncheon
Thursday, April 25, 2019
11:30am - 1:30pm
South San Francisco Elks Lodge
920 Stonegate Drive, SSF
More details coming soon!

New & Renewing Members

Thank you to the following members who renewed their investment with the SSF Chamber your support is truly appreciated!

All Seasons Lodge (June 2009)
Anchor Drugs-Health and Holistic Center (October 2009)
Armstrong Brewing Co. (April 2013)
Audio Visual Resources (May 2013)
Bickford Accountancy Corp. (October 1997)
Costco Business Center (July 2017)
Everything South City (September 2016)
Giffra Enterprises, LLC (October 1949)
Home Maid Ravioli Co., Inc. (October 2007)
Lum Optometry (July 1998)
Ryan & Ryan Construction (April 2012)
San Mateo Small Business Development Center (August 2017)
Speed Wash (July 2001)
Unity Lutheran Church (July 2003)

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South San Francisco, CA 94080
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Chairman Circle - Bronze Member

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