

November 2019



## Our monthly news & updates

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### President Dean Grubl

Before the holidays are here and we overindulge ourselves with the Thanksgiving dinner, come and enjoy all the delicious food our great City has to offer at the **33rd Taste of South San Francisco!** We are expecting a sold-out event again, so if you don't have your tickets, get them now.

Mark your calendars for Friday, November 8, 2019 from 12noon – 1:30 p.m. at the South San Francisco Conference Center for **Taste of South San Francisco**. Tickets are \$25 per person and you can register on-line at: [https://www.ssfchamber.com/event/taste-of-south-san-francisco-2019/?instance\\_id=77](https://www.ssfchamber.com/event/taste-of-south-san-francisco-2019/?instance_id=77)

A few events are coming your way and you don't want to miss them. See's Sip n' Shop will be held on Monday, December 2, 2019 from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. at See's Candies on 400 South Airport Blvd. This is a great way to get some holiday stocking stuffers and of course, enjoy some very delicious chocolate.

The Holiday Mixer & Toy Drive will be hosted by the South San Francisco Women's Club on Thursday, December 12, 2019 from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at 470 Grand Ave. All Chamber members are encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy (NO Stuffed Animals – Please) with a special guest appearance by our very own South San Francisco Fire Department!

Take advantage of all our great events to network with your fellow Chamber members so everyone can learn more about YOUR business.

Please visit the Chamber of Commerce's website at [www.ssfchamber.com](http://www.ssfchamber.com) to sign up for events and programs and to learn more what YOUR Chamber can do for your business and remember to R.S.V.P. for all up-coming events.



## Member News & Announcements

# Giving Back Gratefully

For the whole month of November we are collecting items for CORA, a San Mateo organization dedicated to helping those affected by domestic violence and intimate partner abuse.

# CORA

COMMUNITY OVERCOMING  
RELATIONSHIP ABUSE

### Requested Donation Items

- New socks\*
- New sweatshirts and pants\*
- New underwear\*
- Diapers (especially sizes 4, 5 & 6)
- Pillows
- Umbrellas
- Day Planners
- Giftcards (Safeway, Trader Joe's, Target, Kohl's)

\* for men, women, & children



Women's Wellness Center  
SANTA ANITA

THE SPECIFIC  
CHIROPRACTIC CENTERS

The poster features a collage of event photos in the background, including a stage with a large screen, a crowded exhibition hall, and a person performing on stage. The text is overlaid on this collage.

# odoo)) CONNECT

**November 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>**

📍 Palace of Fine Arts

**Business workshops • Live concerts  
Catering events • Software presentations**

Get a free ticket at:  
[odoo.com/connect-southsf](https://odoo.com/connect-southsf)



SSF Gives  
Fundraising

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Discover  
what we can do  
Together!

Join Mayor Karyl Matsumoto  
and help launch the campaign  
for a new Community Center and  
Library.



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Adam Elsholz (650) 877-8538  
campaign coordinator



South San Francisco Public Library  
**FOUNDATION**

**November 12th | 12:00 PM**

On the steps of **City Hall**

400 Grand Avenue, SSF

Refreshments served at

Grand Ave. Library after the speeches

Call (650) 829-3860 at least 10 days prior to request sign language or other accommodations





**Are you up for the challenge?**

## **Project Read's 27th Annual Trivia Challenge!**

**Friday, November 15, 2019 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](mailto:triviainfo@ssf.net)**

**[www.ssf.net/trivia](http://www.ssf.net/trivia)**

South San Francisco Main Library - Literacy Services

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT PROJECT READ – NORTH SAN MATEO COUNTY**





**PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY**  
GO ELECTRIC

# SAVE \$ THOUSANDS ON AN ELECTRIC CAR!

Peninsula Clean Energy is offering San Mateo County residents significant discounts on the purchase or lease of select new electric cars at participating dealerships from October 1 until December 31st.

 [Go to peninsulacleanenergy.com/ev](https://peninsulacleanenergy.com/ev) for details

## PARTICIPATING DEALERSHIPS

Honda of Serramonte  
888-892-5461

Nissan of Burlingame  
650-263-4707

Peter Pan BMW  
650-753-6060

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*Mark Your Calendar!*

**Holiday Mixer & Toy Drive  
Hosted by the SSF Women's Club**

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

**33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Taste of SSF**

**\*SOLD OUT\***

**Friday, November 8, 2019**

**12:00 – 1:30pm**

South San Francisco Conference Center  
255 South Airport Boulevard, SSF  
Lunch - \$25 pp

**See's Sip n' Shop**

**Monday, December 2, 2019**

**5:00pm – 7:00pm**

400 S. Airport Blvd., SSF  
Corporate discount on selected items!  
Drawings! Closed to the public.  
More details coming soon!

**Chairman Circle Holiday Event –  
Private Event**

**Wednesday, December 4, 2019**

**5:00pm – 7:00pm**

**Thursday, December 12, 2019**

**5:00pm – 6:30pm**

470 Grand Avenue, SSF  
All SSF Chamber members are encouraged  
to bring an unwrapped toy.  
NO STUFFED ANIMALS !  
Special Guest Appearance by the SSF Fire  
Department

**Higher Education  
Scholarship Luncheon**

**Thursday, April 23, 2020**

**11:30am – 1:30pm**

South San Francisco Elks Lodge  
920 Stonegate Drive, SSF

## Legislative Watch List

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



### Tips vs. service charges: Understanding the differences

Amounts an employer requires a customer to pay are service charges. This is true even if the employer or employee calls the payment a tip or gratuity. ... Generally, service charges are reported as non-tip wages paid to the employee. Some employers keep a portion of the service charges

[Article Credit: Paychex](#)



### California Meal Break & Rest Break Law (2019) Quick Calculator + Charts

Under California labor law, employers must allow their employees to take a 30-minute meal break after every 5 hours of work. Meal breaks are unpaid, but must be uninterrupted, and employees must generally be permitted to go off-site for their meal.

[Article Credit: Ca Labor Law](#)



### What's the Difference? Paid Sick Leave, FMLA, and Paid Family and Medical Leave

When eligible employees use their paid sick time, employers are required to pay workers their usual rate of pay. FMLA leave is unpaid leave. However, workers may choose to, or employers may require them to, substitute accrued paid sick, vacation, or personal time for FMLA leave.

[Article Credit: US Dept. of Labor](#)





## City Ordinances - Effective January 1, 2020

### Minimum Wage

On August 28, 2019, the City Council voted unanimously to increase the hourly minimum wage to \$15 per hour for all employers subject to a South San Francisco Business License effective January 1, 2020. Every employee who performs more than 2 hours of work per week within City boundaries must earn a minimum of \$15 per hour. Beginning in 2021, the \$15 per hour will be adjusted annually to reflect changes in inflation (CPI). All businesses regardless of type or size are subject to the ordinance. The City will provide employers with notices suitable for posting and distribution reflecting the minimum wage change. These notices will be provided in the top three languages spoken in the city.

### Flavored Tobacco

On September 25, 2019, the City Council voted to prohibit the sale of flavored tobacco and e-cigarettes in any business in South San Francisco with the exception of existing adult only (21+) tobacco retailers. Adult only retailers only allow those aged 21 and over to enter their premises. Minors may only enter if accompanied by their parent. This ordinance is effective on January 1, 2020.

### Disposable Plastic Food Service Ware

The County of San Mateo's Office of Sustainability is moving forward with adoption of a plastic food service ware ban that would ban disposable plastic food service ware including plastic straws, plastic stirrers, and plastic cutlery. The City of South San Francisco is exploring joining this effort alongside 15 other San Mateo County cities. The targeted adoption date is January 2020.



### Cargo Screening K9 Alliance

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Bachecki, Crom & Co., LLP (November 2015)  
Charles Security (August 2003)  
Commuter.org (August 2002)  
Decorative Plant Service, Inc. (April 2018)  
Dela Rama Dental Care (November 2016)  
El Faro Mexican Food (June 2007)  
Embassy Suites (July 1988)  
Financial Partners Credit Union (November 2016)  
Giffra Enterprises, LLC (October 1949)

Grand Palace Restaurant *(September 1998)*  
JP Logistics, Inc. *(November 2015)*  
La Tapatia, LLC *(November 1987)*  
MC2 Bay Area Public Affairs, LLC *(October 2017)*  
Peninsula Clean Energy *(November 2017)*  
Royalty Auto Collision Center *(July 1998)*  
SKS Partners, LLC *(June 2018)*  
San Francisco Bay Ferry *(August 2005)*  
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The Back Doctor *(November 2006)*  
Veronica M. Herrera, E.A. *(November 2016)*

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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



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