Taking Stock,  Looking Forward

The crisp fall air is here. As the days get shorter and the morning air turns brisk, there is definitely a promise of newness and change.

With only a few weeks left in the year, this is a great time to reflect, look to the future and appreciate today. Today is a great time to check financials, customer service and the quality of our product before the year ends.

Your Chamber is definitely a positive investment in building economic strength and strong partnerships with business, government and customers. The value of the Daly City / Colma Chamber is a proven investment for our members' businesses.

We are passionate in assisting businesses grow their financial strength, gain new customers and share ideas. By attending Chamber events, business leaders have the opportunity of forming business connections and contacts through our formal and informal meetings.

At this time, I want to thank each of you who have taken the time to renew your memberships, and thank those who have joined for the first time. Your membership helps to sustain and build our chamber.

Your partnership allows us to offer informative speaker programs; build strong relationships with business and government leaders at Mixers, the State of our Cities; Major Employer Breakfast Business Speak Easy in the winter and in the fall the North San Mateo County Leadership Forum. We recognize our youth at the Access to Higher Educational Scholarship Awards program. We play together, form relationships and promote our products when we Golf and Bowl together. We proudly share our businesses at the Business to Business event in the spring and in the summer Business to Consumers Showcase, then we close the year with the Holiday Soire and Cypress Business Awards which provides something special for everyone.

There are countless other ways that all of us at the Chamber strive to make The Town of Colma, and the City of Daly City, a great place to live and work. If you are not yet a member, give us a call and we will show you where we can assist your business or organization. I look forward to seeing and visiting with you at one of our upcoming events.

Please take a moment to visit the Chamber’s website, www.dalycity-colmachamber.org for information, events and photos or give us a call at (650) 755-3900.

At this special time of year, may you all discover the magic of the holiday season “When Dreams come True, Miracles Happen every day, and Love is the greatest gift to all.” The Board of Directors and Chamber Staff join me in wishing you a Joyous Holiday Season and Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Georgette Sarles, President/CEO

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LIBERTY TAX----------------------2009
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PROVIDENT CREDIT UNION----------2003
RENAISSANCE ENTREPRENEURSHIP DC -2012
SUTTON FINANCIAL----------------2010
TARGET COLMA--------------------1998
THE SPECIFIC CHIROPRACTIC-------2012
TRONOFF ENGINEERING-------------1975
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The role of the Daly City/Colma Chamber of Commerce shall be to encourage business development and networking, providing members with useful information and services. The Chamber shall take a leadership role in promoting economic, professional, commercial and civic vitality for our communities, while seeking to preserve the unique qualities that are good for business and make Daly City and Colma very special places to live, work and do business.

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JANUARY 30, 2014
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM
DALY CITY ROTUNDA
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BUSINESS SPEAK EASY
FEBRUARY 20, 2014
8:30 AM – 11:00 AM
RENÉ’S FINE DINING AT LUCKY CHANCES
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Check out the Daly City - Colma Chamber Website www.dalycity-colmachamber.org for more information, dates plus photographs of past events. * All dates subject to change.
Tom Minshew

Thomas Minshew, currently Superintendent of the Jefferson Union High School District, was born and raised in Pacifica. He attended local elementary schools and graduated from Terra Nova High School. During that time Tom was a member of Cub Scout Pack 256 and then joined Boy Scout Troop 258, attaining the rank of Star Scout and was a member of the Order of the Arrow.

He served as a parachute rigger in the United States Army for three years and after leaving the service, he returned to Pacifica to attend San Francisco State University to attain a teaching credential. He served as a student teacher at Jefferson High School and later was hired to his first teaching position at his alma mater, Terra Nova, teaching various levels and courses in social science. Tom served in a variety of capacities—as a teacher, coach, club advisor, school site chairperson, coach and athletic director; as the attendance supervisor for three years; vice principal-administration for three years; vice principal guidance for two years and principal for four years—all at Terra Nova High School. He has also served on numerous Western Association of Schools and Colleges Visiting Committees as a member and chairperson.

In 2011, he was appointed superintendent of the Jefferson Union High School District. He, his wife Diane, and their two French bull dogs, Sophie and Bosco, reside in San Francisco.

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2. **Contact the lender before you fill out an application**

   Meet/Speak with lenders one-on-one before you begin paperwork. How are you treated? Is customer service up to par? Were you pressured into filing an application? There’s no point pursuing a lender who makes you uncomfortable.

3. **Turn the interview tables**

   You’ll be asked for an interview. Take this opportunity and ask questions you have. Not sure what to ask? Try these:
   
   - How long to process my application?
   - The minimum down payment?
   - What might delay approval?
   - Do you offer loan rate locks?
   - Is there a prepayment penalty?
   - What are discount points and origination fees?

4. **Study rates, points and fees**

   When comparing loans, pay attention to three things: rates, points, & fees. Taxes & insurance won’t vary too much but rates, points, and fees can differ greatly, and all affect one another, so be sure to pay close attention and calculate carefully.

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My name is Tanisha Higgins, I am the proud owner of 2819 Productions Photography. As a little girl, my first experience with photography was when my parents gave me a Kodak 110 camera, while on a trip in Disneyland. I am an alumna of Westmoor High School and a graduate of Cal State University, Hayward where I minored in photography. During my college years, my love for photography continued to grow. After graduating from college, 2819 Productions was born. We have been based in Daly City, California for the past eight years.

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If you happen to be traveling on the San Mateo Bridge, you may see construction activity on transmission towers and lines running across the San Francisco Bay, parallel to the bridge. During the majority of the project, crews will work from helicopters to modify existing tower equipment, replace wires and upgrade existing transmission lines. Typical work hours will be Mondays through Fridays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the project is currently scheduled to be completed in December 2013.

The use of helicopters will help to minimize traffic impacts and the need to access property near the construction area. If you have any questions, or want to learn more about the project, please visit www.pge.com/BayCrossingProject.

Free Business Greening Program
Saves Resources and Money

by Kathleen Gallagher, Colma’s Sustainability Programs Manager

Colma has a new Business Greening Program to help businesses save money by reducing energy use, conserving water, and reducing waste. The program is FREE to Colma businesses and easy to participate in because Colma provides the expertise and resources to “green your business.” Why does Colma provide this service to businesses? Because Colma’s City Council approved a Climate Action Plan to reduce carbon pollution, and added programs to help businesses and residents be more resource efficient.

What’s the Business Greening Program?
The program provides a free onsite assessment of your business by sustainability staff to find ways to save energy, conserve water, and reduce waste. Your business receives a recommendations report detailing how to reduce waste and save money. Additional resources are provided to make your business greening program a success.

What can the Business Greening Program do for my business?
• Save on WATER Bills
• Save on ENERGY Bills
• Save on WASTE hauling fees
• Provide resources to purchase eco-friendly supplies

Where can I get more information or sign up for this program?
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3. Spinach. High in vitamins, fiber, minerals, and carotenoids (a type of antioxidant).
4. Black or pinto beans. High in antioxidants, fiber, B-vitamins, and minerals.
5. Oatmeal. High in omega-3 fatty acids, fiber, and vitamins.
6. Oranges. High in fiber, antioxidants, vitamins, and potassium (a mineral which can help lower blood pressure).
7. Red bell peppers. High in B-vitamins, fiber, and antioxidants.
12. Tofu. High in potassium and Vitamin B-3; great source of protein; can be prepared in many ways.