



Rotary Club of Los Gatos Cat Tale

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DECADES OF SUNNY MORNINGS

Tony James introduced **Lissa Chrysler**, a long-time co-emcee of the *KBAY Morning Show*. Lissa demonstrated a super-great attitude as she told us of some four decades of summer mornings on the show. We managed to catch a photo of her that shows the delight she had in serving the public all those years.

Last December the Mercury News told us that South Bay radio listeners and the community as a whole lost two of its favorite voices when **Sam Van Zandt** and **Lissa Kreisler** wrapped up their morning show on KBAY-FM for the last time after 12 years as a team.

Van Zandt, who is 70 years old, decided earlier this year to retire after a 52-year career because of health reasons. But Kreisler's departure wasn't planned. KBAY management informed her December 7 that she wouldn't be staying on with the station, either, rather unceremoniously ending her 29-year tenure there. While conceding working alongside Van Zandt has been "magic" that would be difficult to rep-

licate, she says she's not ready to retire.

"I'm not going anywhere," Kreisler said. "I'm still part of the community here — I hope."



Today's speaker
Lissa Chrysler

Friday morning at the 94.5-FM studio was a bittersweet one, with fan after fan calling in to say goodbye — and Sam and Lissa consoling the callers as much as they were consoling the hosts. KRTY morning hosts **Gary Scott Thomas** and **Julie Stevens** called in, as did KDFC's **Hoyt Smith**. San Jose Mayor **Sam Liccardo** stopped by with a bouquet of tulips for Kreisler and a proclamation declaring December 16, 2016, as "**Sam & Lissa in**

the Morning Show Day." Off the air, there were a few tears between breaks, but on the air there were a lot of laughs and memories being shared.

"This is a tough day for everyone," KBAY General Manager **John Levitt** said. "But I've been saying to everyone that these guys are bigger than this station."

Both Van Zandt and Kreisler have been mainstays at nonprofit events throughout the years,

whether acting as emcees — with those radio voices, they're perfect choices — or helping raise money or bring in donations. Last Saturday, they sat under a yellow, rain-soaked canopy for their annual *Stuff the Bus* drive for *Toys for Tots*. Here's everything you need to know about them: They both knew it was their last broadcast at the park, but didn't let on and kept the focus on the kids who would benefit.

The list of nonprofits and community organizations they've helped is too long to list, but a few of their favorites include *JW House*, *Sunday Friends*, *Special Olympics*, *Cancer Care-Point*, *Hunger at Home* and the *All the Way Home* campaign to support homeless veterans.

Here are some tidbits:

- Leigh High School grad
- San Jose State Radio/TV Journalism major
- KLOK 1170 AM her first job



President Suzanne took pleasure in presenting a certificate for the gift of a wheelchair in Lissa's name

- Interviewed the likes of
 - Julia Childs
 - Bette Midler
 - Tony Bennett
 - Barry Manilow
 - Steve Wozniak (a really great guy and you would not believe what a talker he is)
- Two daughters
 - Christina
 - Victoria
- Two grandchildren



Tuesday, October 3, 2017

Meeting

Presiding

President Suzanne Boxer-Gassman

Pledge — Mike Frangadakis

Inspiration — Patti van der Burg

Editor Don d'Arms

Photos Don d'Arms



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Tuesday, October 10

District Governor **Orrin Mahoney** will be our guest speaker. This is always a special program for us.

Tuesday, October 17

Bruce and Mae Wood from The 1040 Initiative, one of our grant recipients, will speak. **Nicholas Welzenbach** will do the introductions.

Tuesday, October 24

"GI Josie" — **Laurabeth Messimer**

Gae La Torre introduced
VISITING ROTARIANS



Hannah and Colin from the Thrapston, (ESE of Birmingham) England, club. As you see, we traded club banners.

A repeat visitor from the Munich club



October birthday celebrants were **Ed Stahl, Jack Chevlen, Julian Rodriguez, Tina Orsi-Hartigan, Judy Rodriguez** (two months early) and **Mike Norcia**. Not with us were **Gregg Butterfield** (hovering somewhere), **Charlie Goss, Jessica Poyner, Steve Rice, and Myron Smith**.

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MILPITAS

Embassy Suites Hotel

901 E. Calaveras

SCOTT'S VALLEY

Hilton Hotel

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Los Gatos Lodge

50 Los Gatos-Saratoga Rd

TUESDAY

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Historic Adobe Bldg.

Moffett Field

SANTA CRUZ Sunrise

7:15 am De La Viega Golf

CAMPBELL / S.J. West

Eastfield Ming Quong Ctr

251 Llewellyn Ave

SUNNYVALE

Lookout Rest. Muni Golf

GILROY Elks Lodge

2765 Hecker Pass Rd

FREMONT

Massimo's Restaurant

WEDNESDAY

SUNNYVALE Sunrise

7:00 am Le Boulanger

LOS GATOS Morning

7:15 am Los Gatos Lodge

50 Los Gatos-Saratoga Rd

SAN JOSE Summit Ctr

4th & San Fernando

CUPERTINO

Quinlan Comm. Center

WATSONVILLE

Elk's Lodge

MORGAN HILL

Morgan Hill Comm. Center

FELTON / San Lorenzo

Mt. Hermon Ctr. / 7 am

THURSDAY

SANTA CLARA

Hilton Santa Clara

4949 Great America Pwy

SAN JOSE EAST

Ranch Golf Club

4601 Hill Top View

FRIDAY

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