

Summer 2020

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Dear Fellow Members,

As we are in the dog days of summer, I wonder exactly where did the year go? Due to the shelter in place, I felt as if I lost spring and summer. Even though this pandemic has allowed me to work from home, spend time sitting in my garden watching the flowers grow and the hummingbirds fight over the feeder, I feel that there is something missing. Then I realize it's you. Each and every one of you have been foremost in my mind. Hoping you are well, hoping you are safe and hoping we will be able to get back together in the fall.

Talking about getting back together, a survey was sent out by email to see if we could meet by Zoom in the fall (if needed) or if you would mind calling into a virtual meeting. The survey is only 4 questions so please take it, so we can make plans to still meet together in whatever form that may be. *(P.S. Survey Monkey offers other surveys after you complete ours. You don't have to complete them.)* We have also been sending out birthday greetings and short notes to say we are thinking of you.

I wanted to share with you that we will be having our regular flu clinic on October 5 from 1:30-3:30pm. We have worked hard to ensure that everyone will be socially distanced and safe. The VNA will be our vendor for the immunization and are willing to set up curbside, as well as in the patio for the safety of the members. If you want to receive your flu vaccine, in your car, at curbside, please contact me so we will know how many we must set up and be able to give you an approximate time to be there. Otherwise, with face masks, we will be guiding people through the patio. I honestly believe that this is safer than going to your pharmacy or doctor and hope you decide to get the flu vaccine this year. I have been told that this will be almost "touchless" with your Medicare or insurance cards and will allow us to create the database to administer the COVID vaccine when it is available.

I have memories of standing in line with my mother at Carmel High School to get my polio sugar cube. My mother had non-paralytic polio and I used to wave to her through the window of the county hospital while she was quarantined. We can do this!



Thank you for sending Robin pictures of your activities during this long stretch. I'm looking forward to seeing your bright, wonderful smiles.

Virtual Hugs,
Tina Del Piero

Tina Del Piero Spending time with my brand new granddaughter and my 2 year old granddaughter. I've been working hard and also walking with my husband recovering from his fifth back surgery. We totally enjoy our garden!



Susan Pesavento

Mother's Day Brunch with my hubby in our backyard, wearing "a crown of roses for the Queen" made by my great friend, Judy!



Jan Praisner and Mary George

have been delivering Meals on Wheels every Tuesday since 2014. During the lockdown, this service became even more critical for our elderly clients, and our route got bigger as more people needed this service. This activity was the highlight of our week during the quarantine period.

Pandemic

By Georganne Thurston

Call it Corona 19, call it The Virus, just don't call it

As soon as I sheltered in place, (*not hiding under a child's school desk*) but in my house; the television broke.

Now all the faces appear *green* and the clothes *purple*.

Not so bad the sound still works. I cannot watch, because occasionally and randomly it flashes and then the colors may reverse to *purple* faces and *green* clothes.

I think of my beloved TV, now as a giant radio, this works as long as I recognize the voices and can identify who is speaking; it makes mystery movies very interesting. Old movies in black and white are fine except for the random flashes, yes, here too.

Who would have thought of this as even a problem before March seventh? I would have selected a TV online, and picked one up at a local store. Now I dare not exit my private prison, even with mask and gloves; it is weird when I leave to forage for food.

My exercise routine formerly daily and vigorous, now a CV19 routine consists of walking to and from the refrigerator, then lifting the fork up from the plate to my mouth, Sooooo sad.

Zoom the new way of communicating looks like Hollywood Squares; .really tired of watching the *green and purple* characters stacked up in boxes with bad sound. Entertainers seem tired of it all too, news shows are well, *not news* and *not shows*. The only topic on most stations is the CV19 and dire statistics over and over again.

There are positive outcomes of this forced togetherness. Children are seeing more of their parents and they appear almost happy without the busy activities they had in week's past. Some of us have opportunities to learn from our spouse and our families in a new way. Those alone will identify the courage stored in the belly and take the time to share friendship and faith; all topics are available when we opt to look within.

Oh, my *green* faced people clothed in *purple* are really not much of a problem after all

GMT 5/16/20 (*scratches of thoughts*)

Cammie Jones Hiking in the Redwoods at Garland Park and Birthday at home with husband John.



Kathryn Gualtieri

I've been writing my next mystery novel featuring Carmel Pine Cone reporter, Nora Finnegan. Her 8th adventure is titled A Mind for Murder. It will be published in the Fall.



Joyce e Merritt

On NPR, I heard that engaging in a creative place, space or activity, can melt away worries and fears. Even focusing on a daily activity in a new way. Try folding laundry in a new pattern or adding chopped apples to a chicken recipe.

I'm back to ceramics class, one-on-one with face covers and here is one of my favorite finished pieces.

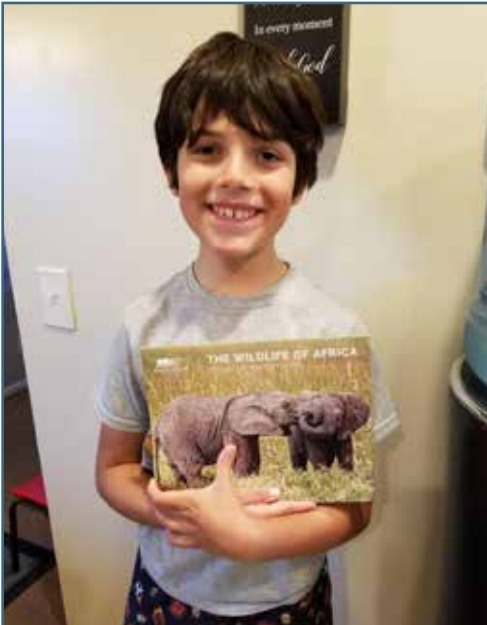


Elizabeth Pittman

Been knitting babies hats for my great niece's coming baby! This is one of them! It's been fun.

Wendy Fields Steve and I have spent our quarantine doing things that have brought us comfort and calories all at once. I've turned into a better cook than I used to be, I bake a lot, too. We're enjoying that part of it.

Instead of visiting the gym six days a week, we walk around town every day. We've discovered more than a few places where fairies live. We're so grateful to be quarantined in this beautiful area.



Gin Donahoo

The Carmel Foundation and Ms. Hartnett's 3rd grade class at Carmel River School had a joint GrandPal program that teamed up a "youngster" with an "oldster" (e.g., me). Even though school is out for the summer, I stay in touch with my GrandPal, Sam (in photo), daily with emails du jour that contain info du jour:

- geography du jour and/or
- vocabulary du jour and/or
- fact du jour

Sam is going to be a Marine Biologist thus the fact du jour emails I send to him are quite often related to:

- marine mammals
- fish
- marine invertebrates



Barbara Siebeneick has been sewing masks and reminds us:

“Let us not tire of preaching love.
It is the force that will overcome the world.”

-Bishop Romero



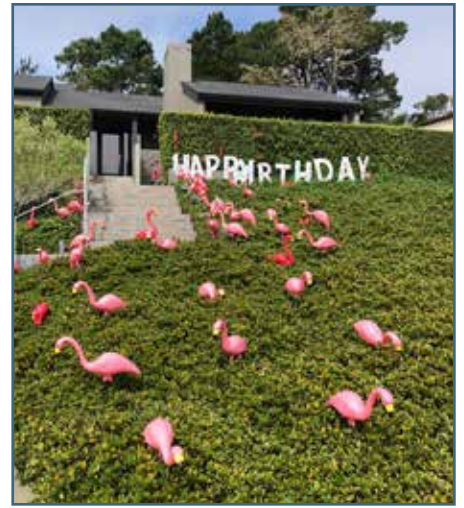
Lisa Martin

This is the prayer shawl that I just finally finished knitting for All Saints' Episcopal Church. We are fine, staying home mostly!



Gwen Nash

Gwen has been making a medley of beautifully patterned masks as she shelters in place.



Debra Aitchison

COVID birthdays seem to be a weekly event and I have been taking my flock of flamingos and surprising friends with birthday fun and love! This flocking was for Cheryl Carter's 70th birthday (*she is a CWC member*). Have every letter in the alphabet to leave a message too. If you know of other members needing a little cheer (*doesn't have to be a birthday*) please let me know - I would love to spread the birds around.

Lynn Carr Sheltering in Place means - "lots of knitting, gardening, baskets, and reading".





Bev Sanders

Sets the table for a friend's virtual birthday party.



Mary Alice Cerrito Fettis

My favorite moment for SIP is my harvest lunch in my garden.



Tina DeMaria

Backyard Staycation!



Robin Winfield

I have started a tiny garden in my yard and we are getting excited about home grown tomatoes!!! I've been reading, painting, hiking, cooking and spending time working on home projects with my husband Ron. Missing the CWC!



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2020 FLU CLINIC
CARMEL WOMAN'S CLUB



Date
 Monday, October 5th
Time
 1:30 to 2:30 pm
Location
 Club Patio or Curbside

Parking available at Sunset Center. Must wear a mask and adhere to social distancing. You will be directed to enter the patio area off 9th St and exit on San Carlos. Anyone requesting curbside service from your car needs to make a reservation by calling Tina Del Piero.

For More Information Contact
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