WHERE ARE THE TESTS?
LACK OF COVID TESTING IRKS LOCAL LEADERS, COULD DELAY REOPENING

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Refrigerator: Put items that will spoil first in the front, and group them together. Use an “Eat This First” sign to prompt you to use them.

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Label containers.

Store food in clear containers if possible. Include the date and contents.

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Did you know that wrapping a head of lettuce in a moist towel, and placing it in an airtight container in the refrigerator helps it last longer? For more best practices, visit savethefood.com/storage

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Lagging behind, county tries to boost COVID testing

Concerned local leaders push for greater coordination, problem solving
by Sue Dremann and Gennady Sheyner

Like many people who are older, Palo Alto City Councilwoman Liz Kniss wanted to get tested for COVID-19. But though she tried, she wasn’t eligible for one in Santa Clara County. She went to one of Stanford Health Care’s drive-thru coronavirus-test sites for help.

“I got fairly far. The governor said that people like me can get one because of my age, but they indicated that I did not have sufficient symptoms,” said Kniss, who is over 60.

So on Wednesday, Kniss drove to Alameda County — to the Hayward COVID-19 Testing Center at California State University, East Bay, which tested her because she is in a high-risk group, regardless of her county of residency. Kniss didn’t need an appointment, and the nasal swab procedure took about 20 minutes.

“It was easy,” she said of the drive-up procedure. “I’ll have the test results tomorrow morning.”

By 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, she had her answer: Her test came back negative.

Kniss apparently is far from alone in leaving Santa Clara County to get assessed for the coronavirus. Another Alameda County city, Fremont, began a drive-thru testing program six weeks ago, spearheaded by the fire chief. As many as 40% of the people tested in Fremont have come from Santa Clara County, according to fire Chief Curtis Jacobson.

As Los Angeles County and, this week, Sacramento County announced coronavirus testing for all of their residents, including those exhibiting no symptoms, Santa Clara County has lagged behind — to the frustration of local leaders like Kniss.

The numbers show the shortfall. The county needs to be able...

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City budget deficit nears $40M

Palo Alto prepares for massive cuts due to COVID-19 shutdown
by Gennady Sheyner

With the local economy in free fall, the Palo Alto City Council decided on May 4 to cut nearly $40 million from next year’s budget, a move that is expected to put a dent in City Hall’s staffing level and require the elimination of popular programs and services.

Now, it is preparing to tackle a trickier question: What exactly should the city cut?

That painful conversation will begin to unfold on Monday, May 11, when Administrative Services Department staff returns with possible options for achieving the expense reductions. The projected shortfall presumes that social-distancing measures will remain for some time; that people will be reluctant to — or prohibited from — travel and from major events; and that the recovery will take many months.

Staff presented the grim budget scenario to the council as the most dire of the three options, with the most optimistic scenario depicting a speedy recovery and the middle scenario projecting a $21.3 million revenue drop. But the council agreed that a speedy recovery is at this point an impossible alternative and the more moderate option is a highly unlikely one. Staff’s worst-case scenario, which includes a $38.8-million revenue drop, is actually the most likely one, the council agreed by a unanimous vote.

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A round Town

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FEEDING THE HUNGRY ... The coronavirus pandemic has given birth to a new community group, Operation Contagious Generosity, which is collecting donations of groceries on a weekly basis to distribute to people in need during the health crisis. The effort began six weeks ago with one couple, parishioners at Palo Alto Vineyard Church, who gathered eight bags of groceries that they handed out to people living in cars near Mountain View’s Reestorff Park, Susan Van Riesen, the church’s lead pastor, told the Weekly in an email. The couple invited other members of the church to join. Less than two months later, the act of kindness has evolved into a volunteer network whose members spend their Fridays collecting more than 210 bags of groceries to give away. The group has volunteer “hub houses” where groceries are gathered before a team of volunteer drivers pick them up and prep them for distribution, Van Riesen said. The operation is connected with Reach Potential Network to handle the distributions. The partnership has led to the distribution of roughly 10 grocery bags to residents at Buena Vista Mobile Home Park on Tuesdays along with lunches for children provided by the Palo Alto Unified School District.

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Palo Alto also prepares to divert cars from bike boulevards to help cyclists maintain distance

by Gennady Sheyner

Palo Alto’s basketball, pickleball and tennis courts reopened Wednesday after a monthlong hiatus, as did parking lots near the city’s nature preserves.

City Manager Ed Shikada announced the plan Monday night, one of several signs that the pandemic freeze that began in March is starting to slowly thaw. The city’s building inspectors also have resumed checking permits, making appointments with local property owners to visit construction projects, Shikada said.

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Tim Lieu plays pickleball at Mitchell Park in Palo Alto on May 6. The city reopened the courts on Wednesday.
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The County of Santa Clara Public Health Department recommends a test if you:

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- Work in a hospital, long-term care facility, or other high-risk setting.

Talk with your doctor; you may also be recommended for testing if you:

- Are 60 years of age or older;
- Work at an essential service, such as a grocery store;
- Live with a chronic medical condition;
- Have a scheduled surgery or medical procedure; or
- Are worried about other severe symptoms.

* Some COVID-19 symptoms are:

- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Difficulty Breathing
- Fever
- Chills
- Repeated Shaking with Chills
- Body or Muscle Pain
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- Loss of Smell or Taste

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For more COVID-19 information, visit www.sccgov.org/coronavirus
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mall businesses in Palo Alto that have been rattled by the COVID-19 shut-
down could be eligible for grants of up to $10,000 from the city un-
der a program that the City Coun-
cil approved Monday night.

The council voted 5-2, with council members Alison Cor-
mack and Eric Filseth dissenting, to launch the new program with
$500,000 in city funds. The grant program also will allow corpora-
tions and community members to
contribute funding, much like the
programs, including the one in
Mountain View created in late March
with Google’s support.

Unlike other business relief
programs, including the one in
Mountain View, Palo Alto’s will
use a lottery to select grant re-
cipients rather than a first-come,
first-served approach. It will be
restricted to businesses that have
Palo Alto storefronts, are partici-
pating in the city’s business regis-
try and employ between one and
50 workers.

In approving the program,
council members characterized
it as a positive gesture toward the
business community, which has
been in free fall since the eco-
nomic shutdown began on March
17. Some downtown businesses,
including Dan Gordon’s, have
permanently closed, while others
have reported that they’re barely
hanging on.

“It’s really hard to listen to
what’s happening in our com-
munity,” said Councilwoman
Liz Kniss, who participated in
three roundtable discussions that
included more than 50 business
owners in the prior week. “There’s
some heartbreak out there. And
it’s pretty clear everything is not
going to reopen. That’s one of the
most difficult things that we’re
hearing.”

Kniss said that during these
events, business owners talked
about their struggle getting fund-
ing from the federal Paycheck
Protection Program and sug-
gested that the city suspend its
Residential Preferential Parking
program, which limits how many
employees can park in residential
neighborhoods.

“They are also looking for guid-
ance, looking for support. They
are also looking for some hope at
this point. It was very difficult to
hear this,” Kniss said.

Cormack, who also has been
participating in the meetings
with business leaders, said some
businesses have adjusted their
operations to survive, with res-
taurants now selling items out of
their pantries and dentists talking
about how to provide safe space
for clients. The hardest hit sector,
she said, will be personal services
such as physical therapists, hair-
dressers and nail salons.

“The changes that will need to
occur for these to restart are really
significant,” Cormack said.

The downward spiral of the
retail industry is reflected in the
city’s grim budget projections,
which now estimate a revenue
drop of about $38.8 million in
fiscal year 2021, which begins on
July 1. Sales taxes are expected
to plummet by 43%, going from
$36.1 million in the current bud-
get to $20.5 million next year.

Revenues from hotel taxes are
expected to plunge by 44%, from
$26.6 million to $14.9 million.

The business relief program
aims to support cherished com-
munity institutions that are on the
brink of closing down and stem
the loss of revenues. The program
will be limited to small business-
es that have been in the city for at
least 12 months and that have seen
their revenues drop by more than
25% since the health emergency
began. The city will partner with
the Palo Alto Chamber of Com-
merce to collect contributions and
distribute grants.

While council members gener-
ally agreed that the program is
worth launching, Filseth pointed
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Mildred Martha Daume Mario, former chair of the Palo Alto Historic Resources Board and past president of the statewide California Preservation Foundation, known to everyone in town as Millie, died April 17th in Key West after a year-long battle with cancer. She was 80.

Born in Brooklyn to German immigrant parents who had fled the collapsing Weimar Republic in 1930, she was educated in New York City public schools, and was awarded a scholarship to Hunter College. Her mother, who did not believe girls should go to college, insisted her youngest daughter join the workforce as her three sisters before her had done, so Millie embarked on a brief career as an executive secretary at CBS and Bristol Myers in Manhattan, jobs for which she freely admitted in later years she was not well suited.

In 1961 she married Ernest Mario of Clifton, NJ, whose best friend, Bob Stier, had married Millie's elder sister Edith a few years before. The couple relocated to Rhode Island, where Ernie earned his PhD and their sons Christopher and Gregory were born. In 1966 they moved to Rochester, NY, where Ernie began his career in the pharmaceutical industry. Their third son, Jeremy, was born in Rochester.

In 1972 the family returned to Millie’s husband’s native New Jersey. In Princeton, Millie began what would become a lifelong devotion to historic preservation with the restoration of a landmark 1934 Tudor Revival house built by a founder of Princeton Hospital, long before historic preservation became fashionable.

Ernie’s career took the couple to North Carolina and then London in the late 1980s and early 1990s, where Ernie was chief executive of Glaxo, the second-largest pharmaceutical company in the world. In those days, it was customary for the wife of a British CEO to act as an ambassador for her husband’s company, a role Millie adopted with passion and skill, and for which she was paid the princely sum of one pound per year. As she later said, when she was first diagnosed with Stage IV cancer in March, 2019, "I’m a girl from Brooklyn who has traveled the world by private jet and I have been everywhere. I’ve had an amazing life.”

In 1993, famed Palo Alto entrepreneur Alejandro Zaffaroni asked Millie’s husband to head Alza Corporation, then based on Page Mill Road. Looking for a place to live, Millie was convinced by her son Chris, who had attended Stanford a few years before, to look at a very large, very grand, and very dilapidated house in University Avenue. The John Adams Square House would become Millie’s most ambitious and successful restoration project. A 1904 Classical Revival landmark once owned by the city and the subject of fierce political battles for decades, the house had avoided the wrecking ball more than twice. Millie’s award-winning transformation of the supposed white elephant into one of the city’s most beautiful private residences led to her appointment to the HRB, which she would chair for eight years.

During Millie and her husband’s ownership, the Squire House hosted innumerable public and private events, from fundraisers to charity dinners to concerts to house tours that thousands – including Steve Jobs once – stood in line to see.

Millie loved to tell the story of how the morning after one tour, on a Sunday at 6:30 a.m., her phone rang. “Hi Millie, this is Steve Jobs.” “Hi Steve. What can I do for you?” she responded. Jobs wanted to demolish a house next to his own in Old Palo Alto to plant an orchard. Would the HRB allow him to do so? “Can’t say for sure, Steve,” she said, “but we’ll consider it.” The orchard stands for all to see today. How he knew Millie’s phone number – in the days of land lines – remains a mystery.

Millie was an active participant in the life of the city and state as a board member of Palo Alto/Stanford Heritage, the Palo Alto Historical Association, and the Women’s Club of Palo Alto. She also joined the board of the California Preservation Foundation, a statewide historic preservation advocacy and educational organization, eventually serving as president.

When her husband Ernie sold Alza to Johnson & Johnson in 2001, Palo Alto news reports identified Ernie as “husband of former HRB chair Mildred Mario,” which both Millie and Ernie found amusing, given his rather more well-known career as an international pharmaceutical executive. Ernie and Millie returned to the east coast in 2001 to be nearer to their children and grandchildren, eventually settling in Key West. But they maintained close ties to Palo Alto, owning an apartment at The Hamilton, the senior living condominium on Byron Street downtown, until just last year. At The Hamilton the couple befriended a who’s who of Palo Alto in the second half of the 20th century: Sam and Kim Webster, Leonard and Shirley Ely, Frank Roberts, Von and Pat Eshelman, and Emery and Nancy Rogers.

Just prior to the millennium Millie fought tirelessly alongside a group of formidable local preservationists to pass Measure G, an initiative on the ballot in March, 2000, that would have prohibited the demolition of privately owned homes in historic districts in the city. Those fellow preservationists became treasured friends: historic experts Dennis Backlund and Steve Stager, former mayors Karen Holman and Gail Woolley, builder Laura Ferrell, former council member Emily Renzel, and Millie’s best friend, lifelong Palo Althan Debbie Nichols.

After Measure G was defeated, ironically on the votes of homeowners who did not live in historic districts, Millie gradually withdrew from Palo Alto politics. She was horrified in later years to see the destruction of so many historic homes, especially those designed by iconic Palo Alto architect Birge Clark.

In addition to her active participation in the life of her beloved Palo Alto, Millie was an exceptional wife and a loving if strict German mother, who doted on her grandchildren. The bacon and French toast breakfasts she made for them is a memory those grandchildren will always cherish, and Ernie’s love and support for the grandchildren will never be able to be duplicated.

Millie was uniquely tough, strong, wise, patient, opinionated, and kind. But as anyone who ever appeared before her at the HRB will recall, she had little time for doubletalk or subterfuge. She cut to the point, even for the beach, the daily New York Times crossword, Scrabble, the gym, her three sisters (Elisabeth Knocklein of Garner, NC; the late Edith Stier of Clifton, NJ, and Anna Daume of Ridgegewood, NJ), a tasty Black Russian with lots of ice, and was absolutely insistent the entire family would be together for Christmas and the Fourth of July every year.

Millie is survived by her husband, her three sons, and eight grandchildren: Christopher’s daughter Milliecent, of Washington, DC; Gregory’s children Griffin, Chloe, Madeleine, and Brigette, of Miami; and Jeremy’s children Gretchen, Reid, and Charles, of Durham, NC.

Donations in honor of Millie’s life may be made to the Palo Alto Historical Association, Box 193, Palo Alto, CA 94302. A memorial is planned in Princeton this fall.
PUBLIC HEALTH

Mandatory masks? In Palo Alto, maybe so

City Council wants to put ‘more grit’ behind Santa Clara County recommendation by Gennady Sheyner

Concerned that Santa Clara County hasn’t gone far enough in requiring face coverings for people venturing outside during the pandemic, Palo Alto is considering adopting its own ordinance to make coverings a requirement.

The City Council is preparing to consider the new rule on Monday, May 11. If adopted, the requirement for face coverings would apply to anyone visiting an essential business or engaging in most activities outside of the home.

In proposing the new rule, council members said they were inspired by the example of Cupertino, which issued an order on April 24 requiring face coverings in most situations in which people leave their homes, including when they are using public transportation, receiving health care or working on “essential infrastructure.”

The county order has “strongly urged” businesses to require coverings but stops short of legally requiring them. This is in contrast to other municipalities, including San Mateo County, where coverings are required. These orders, as well as Cupertino’s, exclude from the requirement people who are engaged in outdoor recreation such as walking, hiking, bicycling or running, but those individuals are still encouraged to maintain 6 feet of separation from other people and to carry a covering that they can put on in situations where it’s difficult to maintain the required social distance.

Councilman Greg Tanaka, whose company provides consulting services to retailers, said he was inspired by both Cupertino and Shenzhen, China, which was able to reopen after the pandemic and which required everyone to wear face masks when going outside.

“The city should establish a system that we have face masks on. So if we are far more comfortable when we have face masks on, then we’re far more comfortable when we’re far more comfortable when we have face masks on,” Kniss said. “I think we’re far more comfortable when we have face masks on. So if we can require this as a city, which is pretty much what the county is doing, people will be more comfortable.”

The issue of whether or not to require face coverings is a rare point of disagreement among Bay Area public health officials, which have been otherwise operating in virtual lockstep on issuing — and, more recently, relaxing — public health orders. Dr. Sara Cody, Santa Clara County’s health officer, has strongly recommended that people wear face coverings but stopped short of requiring them.

In a Q&A sponsored by nonprofit news outlet San Jose Spotlight on April 24, Cody said she didn’t want to order people to wear face coverings because doing so would take enforcement resources away from other important priorities. She also said that she didn’t believe law enforcement officers would go into grocery stores and issue citations for people not wearing face coverings.

Cody said that she hopes wearing a face covering in public will become a “social norm” so that when people go outside without wearing one it should feel “funny.”

“It shouldn’t feel right,” Cody said. “It should feel OK when you’re in your home, but when you’re not at your home and out and about, you should feel like something is missing. It’s like not having your glasses on.”

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John Joseph Prendergast

May 4, 1937 – April 21, 2020

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It was while working on his undergraduate degree that Joe met Marlene Hinze, the Florida high school student who would become his future wife. Undeterred by the distance between them, Joe, an accomplished pilot, would simply fly himself down to Florida in order to court her. They were married in 1964 on July 1st. An extremely dedicated and hard-working physician, Joe practiced medicine in Redwood City and Palo Alto, retiring in 2014.

Joe and his wife Marlene were active in Palo Alto and Northern California (Marlene was President and CEO of the Palo Alto Housing Corporation). He loved the entrepreneurial culture in the Bay Area and was excited to use technological progress in order to reach and help more patients. He was an early advocate of telemedicine for diabetic care and founded a start-up, DiabetesWell, in the 1990’s to serve those whose access to medical care was insufficient. His diagnostic skill was well known, and his colleagues respected him as a doctor with true enthusiasm and a keen drive to improve the medical profession, chronic disease research, and the lives of all people. He enjoyed travel and time with his family, sport of all kinds, and especially cheering on his children from the sidelines. He enjoyed trying new things and it was his rule that you could never return home the same way you left. He was a lifelong bird enthusiast, and duck hunter in the Central Valley, which was a way to connect with the seasons, especially the Autumn harvest of his farming youth.

Joe is survived by Marlene, his wife of 58 years; by his children Patrick (Colette) living in Seattle and their daughter Peggy (Roy) living in San Carlos; by his grandson Owen; by his sister Mary; and by his brother Robert. He will be greatly missed.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

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John Prendergast family

Springtime in solitude

How are you spending your springtime? At a time when we’re all missing human interaction, we want to see how Weekly readers are filling their days while staying close to home. Eric Spector sent in this photo of beautiful blooms, remarking, “The cactus in Palo Alto are greening spring too.”

If you post a picture on social media of how you’re passing the time, we’ll print some of our favorites in the newspaper and on PaloAltoOnline.com. Tag Palo Alto Online on Twitter (@paloaltowekley), Facebook (@paloaltoline) or Instagram (@paloaltoline) and use the hashtag #springtimeinsolitude.

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Malcolm MacLeod

November 20, 1933 – April 20, 2020

We are heart-broken to announce that Malcolm MacLeod, born November 20, 1933, age 86, died on April 20, 2020, in Palo Alto, California. A lifelong battle with prostate cancer. Malcolm fought with determination, fortitude, and good grace. Born in Los Angeles and raised in Inglewood, California to Scottish immigrant parents, Annie MacAulay MacLeod and Duncan MacLeod, Malcolm was a first generation American.

Malcolm was a gifted athlete who excelled in sports at Inglewood High School. His senior year he was the starting quarterback on the football team and led his team to a 9-1 record. As a senior, he was elected Class President. Upon graduation, Malcolm attended Stanford University on a football scholarship as a quarterback. Unfortunately, he was only able to play football his freshman year. He had to stop playing afterword because of a bleeding ulcer. At Stanford, Malcolm was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity. He loved everything about Stanford and was a lifelong ardent Stanford sports fan and athletic booster.

After graduating from Stanford, as part of the Class of ’55 with a B.S in Civil Engineering, Malcolm worked for a variety of construction firms before starting his own construction business in Palo Alto. He worked as a general contractor building remodels, additions, and custom homes until his retirement late in life.

Malcolm’s most legacy in life was overcoming an addiction to alcohol that started in his teenage years and continued for the better part of three decades. At age 46 years old, he hit rock bottom and checked himself into a one-month alcohol rehab program at Sequoia Hospital in Redwood City, CA. Malcolm became a lifelong participant in the Alcohol Anonymous program, attending multiple meetings every week of his life. On February 10, 2020, Malcolm received his 40-year medallion for 40 years of sobriety. He was a friend, mentor, and inspiration to countless participants in the AA program.

Malcolm is survived by his 3 children and their spouses, son Ian MacLeod (Beatrice), daughter Wendy MacLeod Stokes (Kevin), and daughter Alexandra MacLeod Olsen (Jonas), his 5 grandchildren, his brother and wife Ian and Marilyn MacLeod and their 3 daughters, his first wife Nancy Anderson, and second wife Lois MacLeod. Malcolm adored his grandchildren and was a big part of their lives. He was a good grandfather and will be deeply missed by his grandchildren.

Malcolm lived for the last couple of years at the Sunrise Senior Residence in Palo Alto. Our family owes a huge debt of gratitude to the Sunrise staff and to the staff of Mission Hospice Care for looking after Malcolm in his final weeks and for making his passage as easy and peaceful as possible. The Sunrise staff and residents of the Sunrise Senior Residence in Palo Alto, saying he was beloved in their community and calling him a ‘gem’ of a resident. Because Malcolm loved animals and pets, the family asks that any charitable donations in honor of Malcolm’s life be directed to the Palo Alto branch of Pets in Need. www.petsinneed.org/

A celebration of Malcolm’s life will occur at a later date.

Stephen Cushing Kronick

October 10, 1953 – April 24, 2020

Stephen C. Kronick died April 24, 2020 in Tucson, Arizona at age 66. Steve was born in Los Angeles, California in 1953, the first son of Professor Bernard L. Kronick (Santa Clara University) and Roseana Murphy Kronick. Raised in Palo Alto, California with a younger brother Geoffrey, Steve graduated from Palo Alto Senior High School in 1971, thereafter attending Foothill Jr. College and San Jose State University. Steve later lived in Portland, Oregon and Seattle, Washington before settling in Tucson about a decade ago. Happy to find a place to live that was warmer than the often rainy Pacific Northwest, Steve enjoyed living in his “Tx”-tastic, target shooting, and working for his condominium association. Steve had a lifelong fascination with cars of all types. Steve is survived by his brother Geoffrey of Portland, Oregon. Remembrances can be made in Steve’s name to the Neutepe Society of Tucson, Arizona.
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Malcolm MacLeod, John Joseph Prendergast

A list of local residents who died recently:
Malcolm MacLeod, 86, a resident of Palo Alto, died on April 20.
John Joseph Prendergast, 83, an endocrinologist and resident of Palo Alto for more than 50 years, died on April 21.

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We need COVID-19 herd immunity

by Andy Robin

S
ome say we need to keep sheltering in place until there’s a vaccine or a cure. Some say we need to restart everybody’s life, period. I’m describing a much more sensible, logical and focused middle path that gets people back to their lives and avoids overwhelming health care resources.

For COVID-19 to become history (even in just the U.S.), herd immunity has to be reached, or extensive testing (several million tests a day) and a potent antiviral medicine have to become available, or a vaccine has to become available to hundreds of millions. We’ve excluded tracking systems that enable targeted quarantines, as I believe American civil liberties and our culture of individuality will not allow those to exist broadly.

Thousands of antivirals have gone through clinical trials over the years, yet only a few dozen have ever been found safe and effective and approved to go to market (most of those tar- get flu, the result of decades of research and development). Getting huge volumes of a safe and effective antiviral targeting COVID-19 won’t happen soon.

Vaccines are even harder to get to market. They have to be proven both effective and super-safe. If they aren’t, the vaccine and the company that developed it is cooked, and more people will balk and become antivaxxers, which leads to horrible health outcomes, mostly for our children. The best-case timeline for a vaccine is the second half of 2021.

Herd immunity arrives when 60-70% of people have had the virus – whether asymptotically or with mild to deadly symptoms. I believe that the federal government and state unemployment funding of people sheltering in place will soon be fatigued. Also, if shelter-in-place is allowed to continue for more months, layoffs will continue accelerating, and before long, many more companies will join those that have already gone defunct, their jobs not to return. Since neither a potent antiviral nor testing nor a vaccine are going to appear in huge volume soon, and since the financial downturn for the next months of sheltering are unten- able, we need a way to get to herd immunity ASAP.

A recent Stanford University study showed that only around 4% of Santa Clara County’s 2 million residents have had CO- VID-19. Other scientists believe the study was done poorly and is wrong. Some think that perhaps 20% or higher is a better num- ber. But with the shelter-in-place and only a few dozen new cases a day being logged by the county Public Health Department, it will be a long time before we reach herd immunity — way too long to be tolerable.

That said, if a lot more people are to get the virus to achieve herd immunity, we need to be sure that a lot more people don’t die from the virus. If you looked at Santa Clara County’s website on April 27, you’d see that 86% of deaths were people who had “comorbidities,” i.e., hypertension, heart disease, COPD, obe- sity, diabetes, etc. You also see that 63% of deaths were people over 70. Every year’s deaths from flu are concentrated in much the same population.

We take a key step toward nor- malcy by strongly suggesting to people with comorbidities (es- pecially those over 70) that they continue to shelter in place or be majorly cautious when going out. And we have everyone else rejoin their lives. The very vul- nerable will need to exercise this level of self-care or likely end up in the hospital or dead. And everybody else can take mod- est precautions as they see fit. This will result in lots of people getting the virus. But most im- portantly, it will restart people’s lives and income streams.

It’s really the most vulnerable populations who would likely overwhelm health care capacity if they were to exit shelter-in-place. The county does a great job monitoring health care ca- pacity, and models exist that can help the county tell a few weeks ahead of time if there’s going to be a crunch — and to reinstate a higher level of shelter-in-place for a few weeks if necessary (but we’d still be on the way to herd immunity apace).

Moreover, a lot of the vulner- able older people are retired, so having to shelter in place isn’t an option for them economically. And restarting the economy will certainly help vulnerable older people’s investments.

When kids of all ages go back to school and the workforce goes back to work, it will be a bon for almost everyone for ob- vious reasons. Yes, it’s true that some of these people will get a bad case of the virus and be sick for weeks, some even hospital- ized. And a small number will die, just as they have year in and year out from the flu — but we don’t lock down the country for the annual flu season.

Still, it’d be best to avoid large gatherings, just so we don’t overfill doctors’ offices with cases spreading as happens in a bad flu season.

A really useful way to move forward is with pilot implemen- tation. Santa Clara County is the perfect place for this. First of all, because of shelter-in-place, 86% of ventilator capacity and 44% of ICU capacity are avail- able (18% of ICU beds are used by COVID-19 patients and 38% by typical ICU patients).

Second, now we know who is most vulnerable and we can avoid a demand surge on hospi- tals going forward.

Third, the county has excel- lent communication systems to reach residents (by phone, text and/or email). If there’s an unforeseen need to restart shelter- in-place, the county can com- municate quickly.

The steps for other geogra- phies: free up hospital capacity (through sheltering); safeguard the vulnerable; let others rejoin life and be able to communicate changes quickly.

Even if scientists conclude that there’s no herd immunity to be had for COVID-19, the above is still the best course of action until a safe and effective pharmaceutical solution arrives.

I urge Gov. Gavin Newsom and county Health Officer Dr. Sarah Cody to get this going — and soon. Thanks!

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A lesson from history: How the yellow fever epidemic changed society

Stanford professor looks at parallels between 19th-century outbreaks and COVID-19

by Sue Dremann

yellow fever killed more than 150,000 people in New Orleans during the yellow fever epidemic in 1853—conditions that resembled the COVID-19 pandemic, said Kathryn Olivarius, assistant professor of history at Stanford University who has studied the social impacts of yellow fever in antebellum New Orleans, looks at the similarities of the COVID-19 pandemic in today’s society.

It’s possible we can’t find a vaccine. How are we going to live with this disease?” she asked. Authority conferred a certain sense of moral supremacy. Those who died were considered to be a “smart move” to protect their families if the head of the household died. These policies charged “climate premiums” based on immunity to yellow fever, however, Olivarius said. “If you were unacclimated, you could be flatly not approved for a policy or charged a very high premium.”

Proving one had yellow fever was another matter. Many of its symptoms, including fever, delirium and nausea, were vague and similar to other diseases found in the region — unless a patient vomited blood, a telltale symptom. “People stayed behind on purpose to get the disease. If you get sick and you survive, you go up the ladder of society,” Olivarius said.

Immunity granted other advantages. Wealthy people rarely purchased life insurance on themselves, but they did take out insurance on their slaves as property. Insurance companies targeted middle-class men for policies on themselves as a “smart move” to protect their families if the head of the household died. These policies charged “climate premiums” based on immunity to yellow fever, however, Olivarius said. “If you were unacclimated, you could be flatly not approved for a policy or charged a very high premium.”

An immunocapitalist society

A s a result of its culture and its inability to tackle or even understand the nature of the disease — people didn’t know it was mosquito-borne New Orleans decided it would not fight yellow fever. The city was at the base of the Mississippi River and was a major export hub for the cotton industry. It couldn’t just move, Olivarius said. Instead, people decided they had to live with the disease and focused on maintaining New Orleans’ economic engine.

A new economic model emerged as a result of the recurring yellow fever epidemics: immunocapitalism, which found many ways to insert privilege and exclusion into the economic landscape. Merchants wouldn’t pose to get the disease. If you get sick and you survive, you go up the ladder of society,” Olivarius said.

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Affidavits from physicians and letters from witnesses and business associates to insurance agents attested to the policy applicant’s acclimation: “I cared for him in 1833” or “I’ve never known him to be sick in 12 years” were ways to prove immunity, Olivarius said.

Survival and immunity also conferred a certain sense of moral superiority. It was part of the genesis stories of much of the city’s political and economic elite. Triumph over yellow fever was God’s will, manliness, morality, sobriety and honor. Those who died were judged dissipated or alcoholic, getting what they deserved, she said.

Olivarius acknowledges there are limits to comparing the COVID-19 pandemic to yellow fever epidemics in 19th-century New Orleans. For one thing, theirs was a culture of mass mortality, a highly destructive society that was exacerbated by risk-taking and gambling, with betting on the future and on the next cotton price. The city also had a nearly non-existent public health policy to begin with, she said.

Where antebellum New Orleans had a high mortality rate and no medical way to treat the disease, COVID-19 is far less lethal, at about 2% mortality or less.

“We can make decisions that can slow the infection from COVID-19 (to prevent) the worst epidemiological effects of this disease,” she said. Still, Olivarius has some

Kathryn Olivarius, assistant professor of history at Stanford University who has studied the social impacts of yellow fever in antebellum New Orleans, looks at the similarities of the COVID-19 pandemic in today’s society.

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Feature Story
Rhetorical talk about public health
It has icy echoes of the past

The haves and the have-nots

Oliviarius finds disturbing certain parallels between attitudes toward yellow fever and those emerging toward COVID-19: ideas about building herd immunity and valuing certain lives over others.

A March 25 article in the conservative online magazine The Federalist titled “How Medical ‘Chickenpox Parties’ Could Turn The Tide Of The Wuhan Virus” touted the idea of “controlled voluntary infection.” People at low risk for severe complications deliberate contact with the coronavirus so they become immune. (Researchers are not yet sure what degree if any getting COVID-19 will confer immunization.)

The author claims voluntary controlled infections would model “chickenpox parties” that took place before immunizations to build herd immunity and valuing certain lives over others.

The movement of the “have nots” to build herd immunity by deliberately trying to get sick to get back to work again. She pointed to serious talk about issuing “immunity passports,” which would allow people who have had COVID-19 to travel freely while the movement of the “haves nots” would be restricted.

The COVID-19 pandemic also created a growing justification for racism, she said.

Antebellum society used yellow fever as a justification for slavery, she said. “It was a persistent claim that since yellow fever was known in Africa, black people had a natural resistance to yellow fever. There is no such thing as race-based immunity, however, and slaves who had not contracted the disease in Africa had no immunity when they boarded slave ships and were sent in chains to Louisiana, Oliviarius said. Slavers, however, used the mythology to justify having black people work in places where the chances of contracting the disease were the highest. Many deaths soon followed.

Slaves who had survived yellow fever were worth more. Advertisements showed that an “acclimatized” slave could fetch 25% to 50% more, Oliviarius said.

Oliviarius also sees the United States’ poor people and people of color being the greater victims of the COVID-19 pandemic. The haves and have-nots are already racial and geographical disparities in testing and exposure to the virus, she said. Those who are in service jobs come into contact with the public and have a greater likelihood of contracting the disease: grocery store employees, transportation workers and others. White-collar workers stay protected at home and work remotely from their laptops.

“Pandemics and epidemics lay bare the existing inequality and demonstrate fast and painfully who belongs in society and who does not,” she said.

“I’m scared. I worry that with COVID-19 we will radically increase racism. Already, there is huge discrimination against Chinese individuals who are being blamed for the disease, which originated in Wuhan, China, she said. “Those are bad signals. What’s going to come in the months and years with this epidemic?”

If there is one lesson from history that is important during this pandemic, Oliviarius said, it’s that the public must have information that is accurate and truthful.

In 1847, there were many suspected cases of yellow fever early in the disease, but public health officials were hesitant to diagnose the disease and made a huge effort not to declare an early case that year. A diagnosis brought fear and spurred the economy, she said. When a young Irish immigrant showed symptoms, one doctor suspected the disease, but he would not issue a definitive diagnosis and sought a second opinion. The second doctor, although noting the symptoms were clearly yellow fever, was also hesitant to label it.

“Both didn’t want to be wrong. The boy died, and many thousands of people died. If they had declared it was yellow fever, it would’ve saved many lives,” Oliviarius said.

On a larger scale, misinformation in New Orleans was propagated by a board of health, which first suspected, collected and mortuary data on a weekly basis.

“Everyone knew the board was a propaganda arm for business,” she said. “It was much more concerted effort to keep the numbers low.

People knew they were lying to them.”

“When people live in an epidemic and the information is not reliable, it erodes trust in many things, and people take things into their own hands,” she said.

“This is hugely disruptive,” she said of the COVID-19 pandemic. “Having trust matters.”

To reduce disruption, a central message from government leaders must be “we’re in this together,” she said.

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I n Hayward and Fremont, city leaders have learned much about testing for the coronavirus through their drive-thru sites and have been adapting their strategies to match the needs they’ve seen.

Testing began six weeks ago, spearheaded by the fire chiefs in both cities. Hayward began its tests on March 22 to help take pressure off of hospital emergency rooms and provide quicker answers for health care workers and first responders with COVID-19 symptoms, Chief Garrett Contreras said.

No one who meets the criteria for the illness is turned away regardless of where they live, their immigration status or ability to pay. Of the 4,497 people tested during the first five weeks, 1,481 were Hayward residents and 1,666 were spread elsewhere in Alameda County, according to the city’s website.

About 12% of the roughly 5,200 people who were tested from May 6 through May 11 turned out positive, Contreras said. He attributed it to the city’s large population of health care workers and first responders, people who work in congregate work places such as meat-packing and the wholesale food and beverage industry. Hayward also is home to “tens of long-term-care facilities staff” who commute around the Bay Area, he added.

Although the sites strictly adhered to strict criteria for symptoms as outlined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (fever of 100 degrees or higher, cough and shortness of breath, high-risk groups such as seniors or people with heart disease, diabetes, etc.), Contreras said they soon learned that fever was a poor indicator of the illness. “On the first day, the patient didn’t qualify and now it’s Wednesday and the disease is worse and they have a fever,” he explained. They come back and they test positive. The patient has lost two days of potential treatment, and we’ve had two more days of spreading the disease,” he said.

Sheltering in place, while important, is also limiting. “That’s good until you are sheltering in place in an apartment with nine residents,” he said.

Hayward expanded its program, adding a mobile unit on April 22, following up on leads they often discover during the daytime testing. After the testing site closes, staff head out in the van to apartments and other places where people live in crowded conditions.

“Right now they are at an apartment of (a woman) whose parent tested positive. She’s the breadwinner and cohabits with five construction workers. We’re testing her and the five workers,” he said on Wednesday.

The mobile unit spends its time early in the morning at long-term-care facilities. If there’s been an outbreak, they’ll test all of the residents and employees, or they’ll do blanket testing if the county has so requested, he said. Sometimes they will test a wing of patients and staff at the request of a facility if it’s had a positive case or suspected cases.

Contreras noted that although long-term-care facilities are places where outbreaks occur because they are congregate environments, he hasn’t found the facilities to blame. “It’s nothing they did,” he said. At one facility, they tested 140 patients and 120 staff members.

“Not one tested positive,” he said. At a food manufacturing site, after a worker there tested positive, the mobile team assessed 160 employees, but they found no further positive cases and the plant was able to continue its operations.

Contreras said they have also done targeted testing. Two other food-processing companies have asked to have their workers tested.

One place they haven’t found many COVID-19-positive people: homeless encampments. Contreras said the mobile unit has gone to places where they know homeless people gather and sleep and offer to test them.

Hayward provided $2.3 million for testing kits, infrastructure, safety equipment, personnel and temporary housing for staff so they would not have to travel home and risk contaminating their families. They used eight emergency medical technicians from a private ambulance service, which cost less than using firefighters and four hospital staff members who had been furloughed.

Hayward has paid for some of the testing, but Contreras is looking for other sources of funding and ways to reduce costs to keep the program sustainable.

In the first weeks, Avellino Labs, the Menlo Park-based laboratory conducting the PCR tests, charged the city $150 per test. The cost is now down to $75 each as the company has refined its technology, Contreras said. He hopes that with further refinements, the tests will cost $40 or $50.

He’s also used volunteers, non-profit organizations, city staff and personnel from the fire department. On May 18, a graduating class of new nurses may be utilized to do swabbing to help sustain the program, he said.

“One site is a drop in the bucket,” however, he said. Alameda County could use seven more sites, and he suggested that Fremont needs six or seven, he said.

“That’s what will get to the government’s goal to 30,000 a day, he said.

The city of Fremont decided to learn from Hayward, sending four of its personnel from the fire department to help learn from the Cal State testing site, Chief Curtis Jacobson said. Fremont did its testing at its fire training center, near an industrial area where there isn’t much traffic and an adjacent feeder street could be used to divert traffic if necessary.

“Location, location, location is very important,” he said.

Like Hayward, there was no cost to the public, since one was turned away based on their high-risk status. About 50% to 55% of those who came for testing came from Alameda, Contra Costa and Stanislaus counties; 40% came from Santa Clara County, he said. Among them were firefighters, police and health care workers who weren’t able to access tests in Santa Clara County, he said.

Fremont also targeted its testing to these groups and to vulnerable populations. They also did outreach to residential care facilities and focused on workers in those facilities, he said.

“We’re open to anyone who has symptoms,” he said.

The most people they tested in one day was 181, and they were initially open daily. Currently, they operate Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on an appointment basis as well as sometimes by appointment.

Fremont is now testing grocery store workers and those who work in “big box” stores — grocery store workers in contact with the public will come into contact with many people, he said.

The program is expandable, but that’s predicated on receiving federal and state government support and whatever the county public health department provides, he said. He’d like to be involved in a regional program, but that will depend largely on funding.

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Specific details. The mayors urged the county to form a county task force devoted to testing.

“Without dramatic scaling of testing from the current levels — we cannot reopen our county,” the letter states.

At the urging of Kniss, Palo Alto’s council on May 4 unanimously agreed to hold a full discussion on Monday, May 11, about ways it can help expand testing. Councilman Greg Tanaka noted that Shenzhen, China, which was one of the first cities to experience the pandemic, has been able to re-open about 99% of its economy by offering widespread testing and contact tracing. He also pointed to the free testing run by the city of Fremont and Hayward (see sidebar).

Testing “lets us know what the spread is,” Tanaka said. “And the testing data speaks volumes in countries such as — Seoul, South Korea, and China. They’ve been able to reopen successsfully and without a resurgence

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The problems with testing

County leaders have offered a variety of reasons for why testing in Santa Clara County continues to fall short of the need. On April 29, Smith told the Board of Supervisors’ Health and Human Services Committee that testing is “a priority we have very little control over, locally.”

Smith cited the shortage of reagents (chemicals that are used for analysis of samples); the length of time to get approval for tests from the FDA, the CDC and CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services); the ineffectiveness of the test developed by the CDC; and the fact that other parts of the nation are doing far worse than Santa Clara County and, as such, “are sucking up the capacity.”

Ken Duexer, director of Palo Alto’s Office of Emergency Services, similarly attributed the shortage of tests to inadequate supplies of test kits and uneven distribution of personal protective equipment for the health care workers implementing the tests. In some cases, he said, ability to test is limited by a shortage of the required nasopharyngeal swabs.

“Reagents and chemical components have been hit and miss in the supply chain. Even the medium to safely transport the samples has been in short supply,” Duexer told the City Council on May 4.

He also noted that while the state has been funneling testing supplies to various parts of California and setting up new testing sites, these resources have not for the most part been directed to Santa Clara County.

“They’ve gone elsewhere,” Duexer said.

All of these reasons do not entirely sit well with the county’s supervisors, who instead — like the cities’ mayors — point to a lack of coordination as significantly contributing to the problems with testing.

Simtian, who serves on the county’s Health and Hospitals Committee, suggested on April 29 that the committee take the lead in coordinating the county’s effort to ramp up testing.

“I know for public health purposes that the incremental growth in testing that we’ve been able to achieve has significance, but in terms of charting a course back to normal life, these numbers are pretty modest,” Simtian said at the meeting. “That’s the kindest way I can put it.”

Supervisor Susan Ellenberg, who also serves on the committee, agreed.

“There is such discrepancy in what is happening from state to state and from county to county that I fully believe there is more that we could be and must be doing to move this along,” Ellenberg said.

That lack of coordination has been evidenced in Knaiss’ experience of trying to get tested for COVID-19 in her home county — one in which she both worked as a public health nurse and served as a county supervisor.

Even as Los Angeles and Sacramento counties have partnered with nonprofit groups to provide COVID-19 tests to all their residents, Santa Clara County’s testing network resembles a collection of disparate systems, each with its own rules and objectives.

Most health care systems — Kaiser Permanente, El Camino Hospital, Palo Alto Medical Foundation — will test only their own patients provided they have symptoms that meet the CDC guidelines for testing. Stanford Health Care initiated testing with similar restrictions in March, although now the organization, as well as non-Stanford patients with symptoms or exposure risks to be screened for a possible test. (Stanford Health Care has also focused on testing its 14,000-member workforce and its patients.)

Beyond the private and nonprofit health care networks, there has been no clear route to getting tested unless you fit certain limited criteria. (See graphic, “How can I get tested?”)

The Palo Alto VA Health Care System is testing military veterans with symptoms. The County Health System is testing those who don’t have insurance.

Verily Life Sciences — a research subsidiary of Mountain View’s Alphabet — has been testing persons who are either symptomatic or working in frontline professions, such as first responders or health care or prison employees.

And through a new public-private partnership between the state of California and health-services company OptumServe, two sites in south county will offer COVID testing to all, but with the caveat that priority will be given to a range of groups, including high-risk workers, the elderly, the chronically ill, those referred by public health, people living or working in group-care facilities and those with symptoms. Those who are asymptomatic are at the bottom of the list.

Where do we go from here?

Even as local leaders have urged swifter action, the county has made some progress in ramping up its testing numbers. And this week, officials announced new plans to ramp up testing capacity and create a new government testing corporation.

Between April 1 and April 15, the county reported an average of 511 tests per day, according to Public Health Department statistics; in the period between April 16 and May 4, the average number of tests rose to 944; and in the past 10 days, the county reported an average of 1,040 tests per day, with a peak on May 1, when there were 1,383 tests.

The county also formed a new COVID-19 testing task force, to be headed by former county public health officer Dr. Marty Fenstersheib, to move the county toward adequate testing and its longer-term goal of complete contact tracing, which Smith said could require a workforce of 600.

Smith told the Board of Supervisors on May 5 that in order for the county to get closer to testing capacity of 4,000 per day, the tests will come from outside sources.

Stanford Health Care has the capacity to do 2,800 tests per day, Kaiser Permanente 1,500 tests, and Valley Medical Center can do 2,000, although it currently can test only 300 a day. It expects to receive new reagent and new machinery at the end of this week.

“We can quickly approach capacity,” he said.

Dr. Scott Boyd, associate professor of pathology at Stanford School of Medicine, who created a serology test to identify antibodies to COVID-19 in blood samples, said there are plans to increase the capacity for the PCR swab tests, which identify the virus by its RNA, and the serology test.

Stanford has tested a mix of patients, including some individuals who were asymptomatic, and it has tested samples sent by other medical centers on a small scale. So far, Stanford has had enough
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people who are hospitalized and undergoing elective procedures can also be tested, as can all residents of congregate living facilities, such as senior care centers. Anyone older than 60 years of age or individuals with chronic medical conditions that increase their risk of severe COVID-19 symptoms can also be tested.

There is now more testing capacity than there are people being tested, Smith said. Private laboratories, including the Verily site, are underutilized. Smith said he has been told people make appointments but don’t show up. He said he doesn’t know if they have trouble getting to the site or if they aren’t being referred there.

Just about everyone agrees that the county’s communication on testing has been a problem. When Simitian asked on May 5 whether the county should make the criteria for who can get tested less rigorous, Smith pointed to the recent loosening of the county’s guidance and the recent boost in testing capacity.

“Since we currently have capacity for selection, I think for the most part that means anybody,” Smith responded. “But that just points out the fact that we’re still having trouble communicating that message effectively, because private doctors and institutions aren’t necessarily doing it as on call, or as needed.”

That said, the official guidelines that are posted on the Santa Clara County website continue to restrict who can get tested, forcing residents to go to other counties. This includes even residents like Kniss, who fit the county’s recently expanded criteria. Smith acknowledged this week that the county needs “to communicate that (testing) is available, that it can be done here.”

Cody said the challenge is matching the capacity to the need and understanding the barriers to getting people to where they need to be tested.

“We are successful in driving down the infection,” she said on May 5 of the nearly 2-month-old public health effort.

In areas where there are more infections, the county needs to do intensive testing and make them priority areas, she said.

“I am an eternal optimist,” Cody said. “I feel we can do this.”

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About the cover: Eager to reopen its economy, Santa Clara County tries to ramp up its COVID-19 testing. Illustration by Douglas Young.

Testing

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be the best year of high school. We go through 12-plus years of schooling, looking forward to that final year and all the fun things it entails," she said. "Senior year is the last year you get to spend with your friends who are the heart of the high school — including an original song — are the heart of the high school experience, events that everybody remembers long after they have graduated. Not having these once-in-a-lifetime experiences is a real bummer since I can’t help won- dering ‘What if?’" he said.

Menlo-Atherton’s student activi- ties director, Fountain Brown, floated the idea of a virtual prom to students, but it wasn’t a popu- lar one, Menlo-Atherton Prin- cipal Simone Rick-Kennel said. Administrators hope to gather the class of 2020 for a prom or celebration in the future.

Some seniors decided to do their own prom, renting out party venues and把自己 dye, and taking photos, while others are still hanging in the balance as colleges and universities around the country figure out what school will look like in the fall. The Uni- versity of California has indicated it could reopen just one-third to one-half of dorm rooms. Other colleges are planning for hybrid models with a mix of virtual and in-person instruction.

It’s top of mind for all seniors. "There are two topics you can talk about right now: college and coronavirus," Kolbasov joked. Many seniors received news about their college admissions during the shelter in place. Some said it was a relief not to be sur- rounded by peers talking about their acceptances on campus and nervously monitoring their inbox- es for news during class.

Kolbasov is planning to at- tend Brown University in Rhode Island to study English and psychol- ogy. Brown was her first choice, but she seriously con- sidered attending a California school instead because of the uncertainty around travel due to the virus. She said she and some friends are considering taking gap years for this reason.

“I think almost everybody thought about the impact of this on their college decision,” she said.

Seniors

Sias had long pictured herself

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said. “Ultimately I decided the rest of college, being where I’ve wanted to go for so long, is worth it. I don’t want to regret closing that opportunity once we are hopefully on campus.”

Sias said he’s considering going to Foothill College in Los Altos Hills for her freshman year if she can’t attend college in person for her cost of full tuition for online classes wouldn’t be worth it.

Hanna Suh, a Gunn High School senior, has been nervously monitoring the coronavirus case count in New York City, where she plans to attend New York University in the fall.

“I’ve gotten into this new routine of getting up in the morning, picking up The New York Times and seeing their daily coronavirus stats out of anxiety of whether I can go to college in the fall,” she said.

Graduating without the usual pomp or circumstance

With the end of the school year just weeks away, most high schools have wrestled with the agonizing decision of what to do with commencement and planned graduation plans including the teacher-directed component.

“Menlo-Atherton plans to livestream a virtual commencement ceremony on June 4 at 4 p.m. Students can also order caps and gowns, and some have talked about walking down the street in their caps and gowns together,” said principal Rick-Kennel.

Kylie Wong, a Menlo-Atherton senior who plans to attend the University of Oregon in the fall, said she is not disappointed about not having an in-person ceremony, “I know that the school’s administration is doing its best with the current conditions.” She noted that a unique, long-standing tradition at Menlo-Atherton will be lost this year: Senior students have handed off a virtual staff member who was important to them to present them with their diploma.

During the first (fall) semester, there was consideration to move this process, but students rallied together to keep this special aspect of graduation, “she wrote in an email. “Ironically, the current situation unraveled graduation plans including the teacher-directed component.

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Ravenswood, MayView deal finalized

It’s official: The Ravenswood Family Health Network has acquired the MayView Community Health Center Clinics. The move, announced in December last year, has been finalized.

The Ravenswood Family Health Center has become the Ravenswood Family Health Network and expanded its footprint to include five locations: the Ravenswood Family Health Center, the Ravenswood Family Dentistry clinic, and MayView’s current clinics in Palo Alto, Mountain View and Sunnyvale.

The combined sites employ about 300 staff, including more than 50 clinicians, and serve about 27,000 low-income patients, according to a press release issued Monday.

But visitors to the former MayView clinics aren’t likely to experience any key differences in their experiences at the clinics. The clinics are keeping MayView as part of their name, and all but three MayView staff members were retained, according to Ravenswood Family Health Network CEO Luisa Buada.

“Even after the move, or the network now faces, however, is that people aren’t coming in for routine visits due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Visits are down to about 40% of the usual patient volume, Buada said. Further, visits remain critical for some groups, especially those needing prenatal care, children under 2 years old needing vaccines and developmental tests, and patients with chronic disease, Buada added.

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