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We've never been here; now, let's get through it

From the perspective of **47 working years**, it's safe to say - **we've never been here before.**

And look what can happen in a **week**. We've gone from **recommended** "social distancing" - perhaps the better phrase is "physical distancing," to be explained below - to **mandated shutdown** of **in-house dining**, and the **closure** of **gyms** and **museums** and **bars** and government office **lobbies**, as America attempts to "**flatten the curve**" of coronavirus infection.

In flattening the curve, of course, we **flatten the economy**. Southern Arizona hotel rooms are **empty** when they should be **filled**. Restaurants are **closed**. Non-essential retail is **quiet**, while grocery stores have lines **outside**, reminiscent of the long **gasoline lines** some of us experienced during the **1973 oil embargo**. This is a **rough moment**, for **everyone**.

People are **losing** jobs, some **temporarily**, others for **good**. In the next week, your **Chamber** and its **Foundation** will construct a plan to help **displaced** local workers. Most likely, that aid will come in the form of purchased **gift cards** for groceries and essentials. We'll put **Chamber** and **Foundation** money into it, money earned from serving you. And we'll **ask** for your **help**.

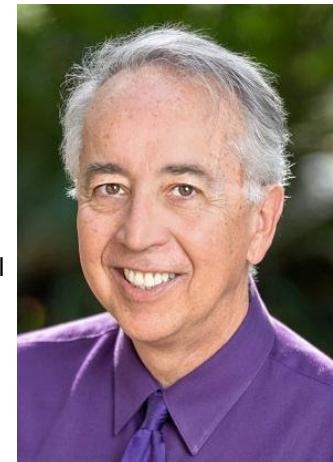
In **1973**, after some time, those gasoline lines **dwindled**. In **2020**, grocery store lines will grow **smaller**, too, and **TP** will once more be widely available. **This too shall pass.**

Still, how do we get there? You've been **great** with your **suggestions**. Here are some **ideas** to keep business going, with **links** and **information** below. **Support restaurants** with take-out, delivery and gift cards. **Shop local merchants** who offer online opportunity. Why not **buy some plants** - it's springtime and beautiful outside, after all - or get your **hair done**, or your **car washed**, or make those **irrigation system** repairs? By all means, be **physically distant** whenever possible. **Don't** put yourself at great risk. If you are **ill**, please **stay home**. If you are "of an age (my age!)," be **smart** about **what** you do and **where** you go. But let's keep **living**.

And let's **protect** the **social fabric** that makes **community**. Be **kind** to store clerks and service people, who are at elevated risk. **Tip**, generously, when you are able. Make a grocery run for a **neighbor**. **Don't hoard**. Eat what's in the **freezer**. **Buy gas** - it's dropped 20 cents a gallon from last week. **Be kind**. Be socially **immersed**. Food banks need **volunteers**. **Give blood**. Call your Mom and Dad. Use social media to **connect**, rather than **distract**. Practice **physical distance**, but **social closeness**.

We're **closing** the **Chamber** office at **5 p.m. Friday**, and plan to work at home at least until **April 1**. We'll all be available by **e-mail** (next to our pictures, below left), and we'll be **checking** messages. We'll **continue** with our regular **communications** on **Tuesday** and **Friday**, and as things change we'll let you know **right away**.

Please **take care**. We're **grateful** for your support. Let's get through this, **together**.



Dave Perry

Dave Perry
President / CEO
Greater Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce

This Week's
Update
Friday, March 20,
2020

**Resources from
the Town of OV**

**Resources from
your Chamber**

**Economic Injury
Disaster Loans** from

the Small Business
Administration

**Restaurants still
open for business**

A Simple Cookie call 520-647-

3159 and place an order

Bianchi's Italian Restaurant

Carrabba's Italian Grill

Catalina Craft Pizza call 520-

825-0140 and place a ToGo
order

Chili's Bar & Grill

Dream Dinners

Epazote at El Conquistador

Tucson, a Hilton Resort call

520-544-1705 and place a
ToGo order

Freddy's Frozen Custard and

Steakburgers call 520-989-

0067 and place a ToGo order
(or just go through the drive-
through!)

**Gourmet Girls Gluten-Free
Bakery / Bistro** call 520-408-

Members getting creative in serving their customers

Chamber members are being **creative** in serving customers during the coronavirus threat.

Alfonso Gourmet Olive Oil & Balsamics, located in St. Phillip's Plaza at River and Campbell, is offering **curbside** pickup.

Call Alfonso at **520-441-9081** to place your order, and specify you'd like **curbside** service. A sales associate will take your credit card payment over the phone. Pull up at the **eastside** entrance, call, and you'll have door-to-door service. The website is alfonsooliveoil.com



Chamber member **Madaras Gallery** has created "**Art to Go**," a drive-through service for ordering paintings, prints and canvas reproductions and Southwest gifts. Place your orders online at madaras.com, or call **520-615-3001**. Once your order is ready, Madaras Gallery employees will **call** and coordinate a **pick-up time, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Through the end of March, **Madaras** has a **20 percent** discount on **canvases** 16-by-20 or larger, **excluding** original artwork. Use the code **Madaras2020** for online orders.

Madaras Gallery is located at **3035 N. Swan** in Tucson, 85712.

madaras
Gallery

Be sure to be counted in '20 Census April 1

Census data determines how
more than **\$675 billion** are spent
for **state, county and local**
programs and services, so be
sure you are counted
Wednesday, April 1.

For the **first time ever**, you can
take the census **online**. Get all



9000 and place a ToGo order
Growler USA Oro Valley call 520-612-7208 and place a ToGo order
Honey Baked Ham & Cafe
Jerry Bob's Family Restaurant call 520-797-1106 and place a ToGo order
Just Kabab call 520-900-7706 and place a ToGo order
Kneaders Bakery & Cafe La Hacienda Mexican Restaurant call 520-297-1695 and place a ToGo order
Mama's Famous Pizza & Heros
McDonald's, Magee / Oracle MOD Pizza
Noble Hops call 520-797-4677 and place a ToGo order
Panera Bread
Red Lobster
Rosati's Pizza Sports
Pub call 520-229-0083 and place a ToGo order
Savaya Coffee Market call 520-447-5713 and place a ToGo order
Spuntini at El Conquistador Tucson, a Hilton Resort call 520-544-5000 and place a ToGo order
Subway at 1st and Tangerine is open 9am-9pm Mon - Sat, 10am-8pm Sunday. Take out, online and third party delivery.
Sundance Cafe at El Conquistador Tucson, a Hilton Resort call 520-544-1700 and place a ToGo order
Tap & Bottle
The Living Room Wine Cafe and Lounge call 520-308-5591 and place a ToGo order
The Overlook Restaurant - temporarily closed
The Views Restaurant call 520-825-3277 and place a ToGo order
pizza Tap Room

Bank Institutions offering help

Bank of the West
BMO Harris Bank
Chase Business Banking
National Bank of Arizona
WaFd Bank

Open for business? Let us know and we'll put

the details, including **ADA accessibility** and info for **snowbirds** and **students**, at <https://www.orovalleyaz.gov/Census2020>.

Snowbirds: your census residency should be wherever you spend a **majority** of the year. If your time is split **equally** between multiple homes, then use the residence you are in on **April 1, 2020**.



Merissa, Mark, Kaily and Austin Fazio were joined by Chamber members, family, friends and employees in cutting the ribbon at Board & Brush Creative Studio last Friday. On the wall, see some of the results of a Board & Brush experience.

Photos by Kristen Sharp

Ribbon flies at Board & Brush Creative Studio

Your Chamber cut the ribbon on **Friday, March 13**, at new member **Board & Brush Creative Studio**, a do-it-yourself wood sign workshop that's just right for **families, parties for adults and kids, and team-building** activities.

Board & Brush has all the tools you need to create a special **sign for home, office or giving** - all you need is friends, spouses, perhaps a bottle of wine and some creativity.

"I'm super **grateful**," franchise owner **Merissa Fazio** said at the event. "It's been a huge **blessing** doing this and bringing this concept to Southern Arizona."

Board & Brush guests are given instruction, materials and designs to distress, sand, stain, paint and **customize** a personal piece of art. "I love seeing people's faces when they pull their stencils off," Fazio said.

The business has **6 part-time** employees. "I have an **awesome** team," she said.

She **thanked** her husband **Mark** and children **Austin** and **Kaily**.

Board & Brush is located at **7352 N. Oracle**, in the Cottonwood Plaza shopping center at the northeast corner of Ina and Oracle. The website is <https://boardandbrush.com/orovalley/>.



Merissa Fazio, owner of the **Board & Brush** store at Ina and Oracle.

Thanks, renewing members

you on our website.

Check out this [list of member restaurants](#) still doing business!

Want to help a local restaurant?

Buy a gift card. You can do so through the reservation service [Open Table](#).

To find your favorite local restaurant, [click here](#).

To help needy people, check on these links.

Chamber member [Interfaith Community Services](#) needs volunteers.

[Impact of Southern Arizona](#) has at least 170 volunteer shifts a week.

Here's a link to a [grocery delivery service](#).

St. Mark's offers Facebook Live inspirational at 7 each evening

Every night at 7 p.m., Chamber member St. Mark's United Methodist Church is hosting a 5-minute Facebook Live inspirational message, intended to help people get through uncertain times.

Sharon Ragland, lead pastor, said "Who's With Me Tonight?" is a series of lighthearted messages designed to connect people of all ages using puppets or other "who's with us" characters.

The community is welcome to watch live every night from their [Facebook page](#).

You are also invited to watch Sunday Worship via livestream

Renewing members of your Chamber in February are Office Depot / Office Max, Fairwinds Desert Point, Dove Mountain Veterinary, CBIZ Benefits and Insurance Services, Oro Valley Coffee Roasting, Fishkind Bakewell Maltzmann Hunter and Associates, Oracle Family Dental, Oro Valley Historical Society, Russell Cellular, Ace Hardware, Desert Sky Spine & Sports Medicine, John Lebbs CPA, AAA Arizona, General Air Control, Leman Academy of Excellence, The Forum at Tucson.

Thanks for your continued confidence!

Welcome, new members

New members of your Chamber in February are 2LU Consultants, A Universal Echo, Primerica / Sean Smiley, Tolis Mortgage Financial Group, Coldwell Banker Residential Broker / Linda Petersen, Crossfit Onward, Grand Canyon University, Habitat for Humanity Tucson, Board & Brush, Desert Star Addiction Recovery Center, Mr A+ Academy, Morgan Stanley / Hugo Frausto, Pusch Peak Family Dental, Topgolf and MOD Pizza.

So pleased to have you with us!

With Gala lost, Amphi Foundation asks you to give for its causes

Our friends at Chamber member the Amphi Foundation have been forced to cancel their annual Gala, scheduled this year for April 18. That event is the Foundation's largest each year, raising about 50 percent of its total fund-raising.

Executive Director Leah Noreng is asking Gala ticket buyers and sponsors to consider their gifts as a donation, "with the knowledge that the money we raise from this event allows us to fulfill our financial commitments to our students and teachers this year as well as plan our funding priorities for next school year."

To bridge the gap, the Connie J. Hillman Family Foundation and a private donor have stepped forward with a challenge - they'll match donations through June 30 up to a total of \$30,000.

To give, [click here](#).



Legion thanks Chamber for hygiene items, clothing gifts to help homeless, needy vets

Members of the American Legion Oro Valley Post 132 have expressed their thanks to Chamber members who donated hygiene products and clothing for the homeless and other needy veterans attending the March 11-13 Tucson "Stand Down" Resource event.

"Thanks to your kind and generous support, the less fortunate veterans within the greater Tucson area were provided with the clothing and hygiene items they desperately needed," said Ed Davis of the Post.

at 9:45 a.m. The website is [here](#).

Uber Eats waives fees for delivery of food prepared by independents

The food delivery service **Uber Eats** has **waived** delivery fees for independently owned restaurants. For information, [click here](#).

Help support local business, and #shopov

Each year, we ask you to **shop locally**, and, in particular, to **shop in Oro Valley**, where you'll find everything you need at good prices, and with **exceptional** customer service.

Want to learn more? **Watch** the premier of our first **Shop Oro Valley** video.

Click here: [happy viewing!](#)



Need copies of the Map & Guide?

Let us know if you'd like copies of your membership directory, the **2020 Oro Valley Map & Guide**. [Click here](#) for the survey.

Spenga offering lifetime discounts to founding members

New Chamber member **Spenga of Tucson** is offering **lifetime discounts** to the first 75 members who sign up.

Spenga workouts combine **spin**, **hi-intensity** training and **yoga** in **60-minute** sessions to boost your endurance, strengthen your muscles and restore your body.

Spenga is opening soon at **7621 N. Oracle, #150**, in Oro Valley's Oracle Crossings.

For more information, [email](#) or call **Kathryn** at **520-954-0298**.

The **mission** of **Stand Down** is to provide homeless and needy veterans with services such as **medical care**, **employment** opportunities, **housing**, **legal** services, **meals**, **clothing** and **care** for their pets. In addition to **financial** support by the Legion Post, more than **20** members were on hand to help ensure a successful event.

"**Thank you** for helping us to help them," **Ed** said. The website is [here](#).



We are hearing from many businesses trying to deal with the pandemic outbreak of the Corona virus and how to keep their employees functioning.

Being advocates for business, we know that now is the time to consider what your company will do; if your employees can continue to work and how your employees can continue to work.

I have put together a list of considerations for you to review and think about as you consider your plan.

You can find the link below.



Greg Durnan, CEO of Acacia I.T. for
28 years and Active
Community Business Leader

As chamber members and business owners, we will want to push for sustainability of our local economy and assist one another in keeping our businesses strong by buying local and from our chamber members.

If you wish to chat about any remote working considerations, please feel free to reach out to me. I am always happy to discuss business and definitely am interested in our shared goal of a strong economy.

Wishing you a healthy month ahead and a strong business.
Sincerely your fellow business owner and chairman,

Greg Durnan
greg@acaciait.com

Here is a link to some of the considerations when trying to setup remote staff:
www.acaciait.com/prep-for-coronavirus/

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The website is [here](#).

Frausto will analyze risk of your portfolio

New Chamber member **Hugo Frausto** at Morgan Stanley is offering a complimentary **risk analysis** of portfolios held by members of the **Greater Oro Valley Chamber**.

"I'm hoping that this will help calm anyone currently worried, and prevent people from trading on an **emotional basis**," **Frausto** said.

The analysis compares an individual's **current investments** against a **balanced portfolio benchmark**. The portfolio is then "stress-tested" against various past market conditions that impact global markets. "This stress test highlights the potential loss that could occur under similar conditions," he continued.

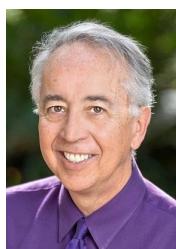
For information, contact **Hugo** [here](#), or call **520-745-7074**.

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Martin Reichgott
Director of Business Development



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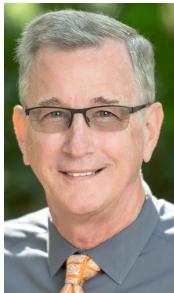
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Dear Neighbors,

Tucson Police K9 Unit had one of their K9's became very ill and needed medical attention for months before being cleared for duty. After going back to work, Nova caught a bad guy who, in the process of the arrest, bit the dog causing serious injury. The medical bills, for just this dog alone, were in excess of 15K. This cost depleted the funds earmarked for bite suits. Bite suits are not cheap – between 1500 to 2000 \$\$ each. The ones they have now are well over 12 years old. They have huge holes in them and are not adequate for training purposes. Law Matters is a 501c3 (TPD is not) and we want to help raise funds to buy suits. Please help support Law Matters so we can help TPD K9 Unit get this equipment by donating and spreading the word to everyone you know. Our police work 24.7 protecting us, we need to protect them back and get this much-needed equipment. Tune into Law Matters live radio show every Sat. 8am on AM1030. Our website is LawMatters1030.org or you can use the link pasted below. <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/support-police-k9and-law-matters> for Go Fund Me. Thank you in advance!

Sherry
Executive Director
Law Matters

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