# A REFLECTION & LOOK AHEAD FOR PEBBLE BEACH

- Bill Perocchi, CEO, Pebble Beach Company

The last several months have been some of the most difficult times in Pebble Beach history – for our business, our employees, and for all of us who live in Del Monte Forest. It's hard to believe that it has been more than three months since Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to combat the spread of COVID-19. During this time, the Del Monte Forest community has come together and demonstrated a strong commitment to sheltering in place and following public health guidelines. In the face of anxiety and uncertainty, we have found solace in spending time with family, walking the coastline, and enjoying the quietude of the Forest.

As California reopens, and at the same time we continue to battle this virus, we do so with a deep appreciation of our local health care professionals and the resilience of our community. On May 28, Pebble Beach Company hosted front line health care workers from CHOMP, Natividad, and Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital to enjoy a day of golf at Pebble Beach Golf Links. We heard from many participants that this was a once-in-a-lifetime experience and a much-needed chance to recharge. For us, it was an honor and inspiration to share the course with these local health care heroes.

With the arrival of summer, we know that so many aspects of our lives – from graduations, to summer camps, to family vacations – will all be very different this year. Ordinarily, we would be in full swing preparing for the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. Pebble Beach Company has hosted the Concours since 1950, and the event has become the preeminent celebration of automobiles in the world. The Concours also raises \$2M a year for local charities, which made it all the more difficult to cancel this year's event.

Our focus for the past several months has been

Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital

Thank you healthcare professionals





developing best in class health and sanitization protocols, to help ensure the continued health and safety of our employees, guests, and community once reopened. Those protocols can be viewed on our website. We are fortunate the hotel industry is one of the largest business sectors in the country, and major international hotel chains, along with industry associations, worked together to develop very strong industry standards. Guidance from major health care institutions such as Mayo Clinic and Johns Hopkins, in addition to cleaning and sanitization experts like Ecolab, all went into the development of these standards. We have also received much appreciated

### CRAWFORD TRAIL IMPROVEMENT - by Roberta Cristi



Despite the worldwide disruption caused by COVID-19, the Del Monte Forest Conservancy (DMFC)

continues to make maintenance of its properties a priority. With people turning to the outdoors for entertainment and exercise, DMFC has been focusing on local trails to make them more accessible and family friendly. One area receiving attention recently is the scenic Crawford Trail in Pebble Beach rich in history and splendor.



The Crawford Trail extends 1.7 miles through the Samuel F.B. Morse Botanical Reserve. It is marked by purple-banded posts and leads to the Green Trail.

Established in 1972, the SFB Morse Botanical Reserve protected the endangered Gowen Cypress along with other plant species that are found only in the area's acidic clay-pan soils. Other rare and endangered species have been found in the reserve. Having very similar botanic resources the 382 acres of the Huckleberry Hill Natural Habitat Area join the 84 acres of the SFB Morse Botanical Reserve. Per the Del Monte Forest Area Land Use Plan of Monterey County's Local Coastal Program, DMFC holds a conservation easement on the Huckleberry Hill Natural Habitat Area. The two protected areas create a combined total of over 450 acres of botanically unique open space, home to coastal live oaks, Monterey pine, Bishop pine, Monterey cypress, and redwoods. The highest point in Pebble Beach is found here.

The Del Monte Properties Company, predecessor to the Pebble Company, deeded the SFB Morse Reserve to DMFC in 1976.

The trail starting point is on Congress Road and passes through the Reserve rising 800 feet above sea level before connecting to surrounding hiker's trails and fire roads in the Huckleberry Hill Natural Habitat Area. The trail was established in 1976 and named after Rudd Adams Crawford, a past principal of Pacific Grove Middle School and a dedicated environmental activist locally and statewide. In 1979, he earned the Sierra Club's highest national award for his leadership in establishing and enlarging Ventana Wilderness in Los Padres National Forest.

A grant to DMFC from the Wendy P. McCaw Foundation, a nonprofit environmental organization based in Santa Barbara provided funding for trail improvements in 2020. For hiker and equestrian benefit, a raised walkway was installed over a wet section of the trail. There is the potential to place benches along the trail where visitors can spend time admiring the beauty of the surrounding SFB Morse Botanical Reserve.



DMFC is moving forward with enabling residents and visitors to continue enjoying the natural scenery it has spent years preserving. DMFC is proud to have overseen a variety of projects such as the Gingerbread House renovation, repairing Ford Meadow gully erosion, and revision of the Green Trail. We take pride in striving to provide an environment that promotes safety on the trails in addition to conserving the Central Coast's natural beauty.

guidance and input from CHOMP and its epidemiologists. One important enhancement you should be aware of is that every employee is taking a temperature test and health survey before each shift (you may notice testing stations in some of our parking lots) and will be wearing a company-issued face mask. It is also important to note that our hotels and restaurants already follow very high standards in cleaning and sanitation. As we continue to open our Resort in phases, Del Monte Forest residents should take comfort that we are operating our Resort with the health and safety of our employees, guests, and residents as our top priority.

One of our most cherished values is to "Keep Improving," and that continues through this pandemic as we look to make strategic capital improvements to the Resort. At The Lodge, the construction of the new Sloat guestroom building is underway. With expanded window walls and patios, the 21 new rooms and 5 suites will enjoy spectacular views of the 18th hole of Pebble Beach Golf Links, Stillwater Cove, Carmel Bay, and Point Lobos. Our plan is for the project to be complete in time for the 2021 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro Am.



Sloat Suite Photo by Sherman Chu

Just up the hill, we are transforming the site of the old Peter Hay Golf Course, with the help of Tiger Woods and his TGR Design firm, into a world-class short course facility. The new course will feature nine entirely new par-3 holes varying in length from 47 to 106 yards (including a replica of the famed 7th hole at Pebble Beach Golf Links), a putting course three times the size of the Lodge putting green, and a new indoor / outdoor food and beverage outlet with expansive ocean views. Those interested in more details and pictures can visit our website www.pebblebeach.com/golf/short-course/. We look forward to reopening this area to residents and guests alike in the Spring of 2021.



Tiger Woods, shown here during a site visit on May 29, is helping Pebble Beach Company transform the old Peter Hay Golf Course into a world-class short course facility Photo by Sherman Chu

As we reflect on the past few months, and plan for the months ahead, we remain optimistic and grounded in knowing that Pebble Beach offers a retreat for residents, resort guests, and visitors, like no other place in the world.

So you think a Ferrari is fast? Faster than a jet (for their size), more maneuverable than a helicopter, no fumes involved.... Hummingbirds are built for speed. They are amazing flyers able to stroke their wings forward and backward allowing them to hover and change direction instantly. Anna's hummingbirds can fly up to 30 mph and can reach 60 mph in a dive. The wings beat 40 to 50 flaps per second; with an average heart rate exceeding 1200 beats per Lots of calories are minute. consumed in the process!

Anna's are native to the West Coast; we are so lucky to see them year-round. They are distinguished from other

hummingbirds by their coloring. The male sports a red iridescent head and throat, while the female has a red dot on her throat. Good light will reveal a beautiful glossy green back.

Anna's males sing during courtship, unusual for a hummingbird. He performs striking aerial displays hovering in mid-air and singing a raspy song; then he flies high and dive-bombs a perched female.





The "chip, chee-chee-chee-chee" and "buzzzz", sounds are a combination of vocal and outer-tail feather movements. These are noisy critters.

Around December, mom builds the nest, a thimble-size cup of plant fibers and spider webs! It's lined with plant material, feathers, and camouflaged with lichens. Nestled inside are 1-3 tiny white eggs, the smallest eggs of any bird. Incubation takes two plus weeks, followed by three weeks for the chicks to fledge. By March, the youngsters are buzzing around.

Besides nectar, Anna's feed on small insects plucked in mid-air or on foliage.

If you'd like to see hummingbirds up close and have a feeder, keeping them healthy requires a few steps. A 4:1 water/sugar mix, no need to add food coloring. Be sure to clean the feeder and refill every five days, with at least a monthly soak in water with a quarter cup of white distilled vinegar. Hummingbirds will come and thank you for your native plants and no pesticides. Enjoy the buzz!



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# DONNA GALLETTI, LONG-TIME SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIME PREVENTION SPECIALIST FOR PEBBLE BEACH, RETIRES



Many are unaware of a position at the Monterey County Sheriff's Office devoted exclusively to community service. Crime Prevention Specialist, Donna Galletti held that position for over 23 years until her retirement this year on April 24th.

Donna grew up in the central valley of California reading sleuth novels and wanting to solve mysteries. Following that interest, she received her AA degree in Criminal Justice at the College of Sequoias in Visalia and a BA degree in Liberal Arts with a minor in Administration of Justice and Psychology from San Jose State University. She planned to teach students incarcerated in Juvenile Hall. A detour of plans took her instead up the ranks of security training and awareness at Bay Area Macy's stores with internal investigation and interrogation her favorite aspects. Donna's Peninsula debut was as the Monterey Macy's security manager. In 1997, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office used grant funding to hire Donna and three other crime prevention specialists. By the time she retired, only her position remained to cover Salinas, North County, South County, and the Monterey Peninsula.

Through the years, Donna most enjoyed getting to know people of all ages in the community. She thoroughly enjoyed interacting with residents at Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD) events such as the Open House and Safety Day BBQ in June, and when speaking at DMFPO functions or conducting Neighborhood Watch meetings for resident groups.

Pebble Beach crime prevention is high priority, with concentrated effort by the Sheriff's Office when crime spikes occur, and supplemental California Highway Patrol law enforcement contracted by PBCSD. Donna repeats her mantra when asked what crime prevention advice tops her list:

- Keep the doors and windows of your residence locked when away from your home, even if only going to the grocery store
- Lock your vehicle when you exit it and do not leave items of value inside (purses, wallets, phones, laptops), even if parked in your garage
- Don't text and drive
- If you are making a call on a hands-free phone, keep it short – focus 100% attention on driving
- Stop fully at stop signs
- Report ALL crimes to the Sheriff's Office, especially thefts and burglaries
- Doubt any solicitation received by phone or email requesting money, even if it appears to be from a friend or family member

The Sheriff's Office may fill the currently vacant crime prevention specialist position once the COVID-19 impact is assessed. It will be quite a challenge to replace ultra-capable and community savvy Donna Galletti.

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www.co.monterey.ca.us/sheriff/

Anonymous tip line 1-888-833-4847
California Highway Patrol 831-770-8000
Pebble Beach Company Security 831-624-6669

County COVID hotline (Mon-Fri 8 am to 5 pm)

831-755-4521

County COVID email covid-19@co.monterey.ca.us

# Visit the DMFPO website at http://dmfpo.org for local updates and information





In California, harbor seal pups are born between February and April and weigh 20 to 24 pounds. A pup can swim at birth and will sometimes ride on its mother's back when tired. Pups make a bleating noise that sounds like "maaaa." After about four weeks, the pups are weaned. They may live for 25 to 30 years.

Harbor seals return to Pebble Beach year after year in the spring to give birth and rear their pups. Fanshell Beach and Cypress Point Lookout are closed from April 1 to mid-June to minimize human disturbance since if approached too closely, adult seals have been known to abandon favorite haul-out sites or their pups.