

HOMELESS IN PARADISE

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MONTEREY PENINSULA MAKEOVERS - Part 20



INVITATION TO THE LAUNCH OF THE HOMELESS IN PARADISE WEBSITE

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MAKING history is easier than preserving it. If facts are to be believed, accurate records should be kept. So, I am delighted to announce launching the Homeless in Paradise website that now contains complete archives of the current 20-part series "Monterey Peninsula Makeovers."

Construction is ongoing by webmaster Barbara Quin, Great Spirit Publishing, of pages featuring all the columns since inception in 2014.

Thanks to Barbara for preserving the historical records of this column, and to Marge Ann Jameson, publisher/editor of *Cedar Street Times*, for publishing the columns being preserved, of which this is number 341.

You are invited to take a tour of the new website by clicking on

<http://www.homeless-in-paradise.yolasite.com>.

GUIDE TO MONTEREY PENINSULA MAKEOVERS SERIES

Part 1 - Jan. 1-7, 2021 - What will Mayors do for Homeless Women Who Sleep in Their Cars? Changing how to deal with local homeless populations is a major problem. . . If I were a mayor, I'd start by memorizing these shortcuts to success gleaned from my mentor, John D. Rockefeller, more than 40 years ago.

Part 2 - Jan. 8-14, 2021 - Where are These Women Sleeping Now That They Have Cars? Following last week's question about where five local homeless women are sleeping in vehicles given to them by Change A Heart Foundation in December, I meant to provide the answers this week. If possible, I'd do that. But the only thing I know is where they weren't!

Part 3 - Jan. 15-21, 2021 - What to Do When America Hangs Like Old Glory at Half-Staff? Wondering what's next? If yes, welcome to the world of political turnover and turnover.

Part 4 - Jan. 22-28, 2021 - Will 14 Million Renters Become Starfish on Our Beaches? Looming in less than two weeks is expiration of the federally mandated moratorium on renters protected against eviction during the Covid-19 crisis. If new life isn't injected like vaccine into the plan's veins, an estimated 14 million American renters could be evicted...

Part 5 - Jan. 29-Feb. 4, 2021 - Are You Ready for The Wrangling to Begin? Recapping the past week is impossible in just 1000 words. If we weren't facing local rain that threatened to destroy post-fire properties, we asked: Will state capitols be under siege as Biden replaces Trump as sole possessor of the "football" code that could deliver nuclear devastation?

Part 6 - Feb. 5-11, 2021 - If You've Never Experienced Karaoke, Now's Your Chance! Throwing a Karaoke-style birthday party online combines fun-raising and fundraising. If the idea appeals to you, my true experience should help you get started.

Part 7 - Feb. 12-18, 2021 - What Would You Do if Handouts Were Up to You? During the week—when attention on the second impeachment proceedings against now-former-president Donald J. Trump, only minor attention has gone to homeless issues.

Part 8 - Feb. 19-25, 2021 - So, You Say You Want to Get Rid of Homelessness? Following former president Donald J. Trump's impeachment-trial acquittal on Feb. 13, this message appeared on Nextdoor in response to last week's Homeless in Paradise column: "I see you snuck in Trump to blame for California's problems."

Part 9 - Feb 26 - March 4, 2021 - Does Pebble Beach Hold the Secret to Solving Homelessness? Ending last week's column with a challenge by Chris Minglana of Seaside means opening this week's report by repeating his dare: If you feel so inclined to help the homeless, take them into your home..."

Part 10 - March 5-11, 2021 - Will the Forthcoming Religious Revival Save or Sink America? Writing about homelessness isn't the same as solving it. If I could resolve it, I'd be nicknamed "Savior" instead of Peeper" Parrott.

Part 11 - March 12-18, 2021 - What Can You Do to Restore Native Americans' Indigenality? Being homeless along the coast of California isn't new. If history books told the true story, you'd have learned in elementary school that first homeless Californians were indigenous people...

Part 12 - March 19-15, 2021 - Would Thomas Jefferson sign the "Save Juristac" Petition? Saving Juristac is the Amah Mutsun tribal band's goal. . . If they fail, the hillside paradise could become an open pit.

Part 13 - March 26-April 1, 2021 - Do You Believe Homelessness Should be Illegal? Surviving my second dose of Pfizer vaccine last week wasn't expected to hurl me into a social justice crisis. If five words describe the vaccine's effect, they'd be: it acted like a truth serum.

Part 14 - April 2-8, 2021 - Do You Believe Conversion Can Save So-called "Savage" Souls? Confessing my Pfizer vaccine acted like truth serum created a storm.

Part 15 - April 9-15, 2021 - Would Free Money Handouts Get the Homeless off the Streets? Responding to the headline, "Do you believe homelessness should be illegal?" Gretchen Nicholas e-mailed...

Part 16 - April 16-22, 2021 - What's the Difference between Dying Alone and Lonely Dying? ...named August "Sarge" Kane, place and date of birth unknown, left here for Lompoc... Memorializing one or more homeless people began as a tradition in this column back in 2015. If you don't remember or weren't yet a reader...

Part 17 - April 23-29, 2021 - Might Homeless Tenants Live in Huts if Project Roomkey Ends? Suggesting a thatched round hut and a wood coffin-style body box as sleeper spaces for homeless folks on March 26 drew worldwide response.

Part 18 - April 30-May 6, 2021 - Recall the Governor? The Little Red Oracle Weighs in! Throwing her hat into the ring, Caitlyn Jenner announced last week she'll be running to replace Governor Gavin Newsom...

Part 19 - May 7-13, 2021 - Does the Governor's Recall Hinge on Those Who Don't Get Checks? "If Governor Newsom was sincere in his promise last January to provide \$600 payments through the Golden State Stimulus bill, where's my money?"

Part 20 - May 14-20, 2021 - Announcing the Launch of the Homeless in Paradise Website. Making history is easier than preserving it. If facts are to be believed, accurate records should be kept.

May the muse be with you as your tour guide!

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