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Spring in Sausalito by Rayner Needleman

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Saturday: E-WASTE DROP OFF EVENT IN SAUSALITO. 10-4

Sunday: TALES OF THE TRAIL. 7-8



The gift of the Leonard Kaprielian Community Grant
A conversation with Agnes Kaprielian
by John Oppenheimer

I recently had the opportunity to sit down with Agnes Kaprielian at her home on Central Avenue. Agnes has been living in Sausalito for fifty years. She lived there with her husband Leonard who passed away in March of last year.

Agnes met Leonard when she moved to San Francisco from Fresno in 1970. They were married in 1971. Agnes stated at the outset, "Leonard had two passions, Stanford football and the Sausalito Art Festival". But it seems that this couple shared many interests, most notably their devotion to each other. That they were both of Armenian ancestry Agnes would say, was a key factor in the success of their marriage.

In 1990 Agnes finished her term as president of the Sausalito Woman's Club and got involved in the Sausalito Art Festival. Wanting to help his wife with this new endeavor, Leonard jumped in with both feet, assuming a lead role in the beverage concession there. As years went on, Leonard chaired a committee to give grants for various nonprofits in Sausalito from the Art Festival proceeds. Agnes remembers the group meeting in their living room.

When Leonard's health had begun to decline in recent years Agnes decided she wanted to create two endowments for two of his favorite interests-Stanford football and the Sausalito Art Festival. As they had no direct heirs, Agnes felt it would be nice to recognize Leonard in life for his achievements. She quietly sold her small family farm and with some of those proceeds met with the Endowment Committees at Stanford Football and the Sausalito Art Festival to create two programs with initial contributions of \$100k each.

matched their contribution. Fifteen years after he first volunteered on the beverage concessions, the Sausalito Art Festival Foundation Board recognized Leonard for his hard work by creating the Leonard Kaprielian Community Grant program. Those funds are now managed by the Marin Community Foundation.

In looking back over the years, Agnes said, "Leonard was very much a people person and would strike up conversations with strangers. Leonard was very much a team player as well, going back to his days at Stanford football,"

It is fair to say that Agnes was the number one recruit on Leonard's team at all times throughout their life together. Finally, when asked what Agnes has loved most about her life in Sausalito, she does not hesitate, "The Weather. I did my time in Fresno," she says. "Dingy, gray, foggy, windy and cold, it just doesn't bother me."

As I was getting up to leave she added "The other thing I most love is the small town community. You can stop and chat with neighbors and friends anytime anywhere in town."

This past year as Agnes and Mike were considering various nonprofits to receive the Leonard Kaprielian Community Grant. Mike suggested that Sausalito Village was supporting the seniors in the community through the pandemic and Agnes agreed, saying, "Give the full \$10,000 to them". Sausalito Village GREATLY appreciates the gift and the recognition!



## Musician Replaces the Wooden Hammers on His Piano With Real Metal Hammers From the Hardware Store

Swedish musician <u>Mattias Krantz</u>, who put the <u>strings of his piano on his guitar</u> <u>and the strings of his guitar on his piano</u>, wanted to see what his piano would sound like when he replaced the hammers on his piano with real hammers.

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Here's a UC Marin Master Gardener fire-smart landscaping tip for May.

May is a good month to observe the health of plantings along the exit routes from your home to your vehicle. Exits may be through doors or windows and along a path to a vehicle parked on a street, a detached garage, or a meeting place with neighbors. Embers can ignite combustible material along your exit route, possibly preventing you from exiting your home or a fire fighter from entering your home.

- Identify the escape routes to your vehicle
- Remove or move jute door mats, wood planters and other combustible materials from your exits
- Assess the health and condition of the plants along each route
- Remove dead plant material and plant debris
- Remove vines near doors or windows
- Replace wood gates, arbors or trellises near exit routes with noncombustible material

For more information on fire-smart landscaping, visit us at http://marinmg.ucanr.edu/BASICS/FIRESMARTLANDSCAPING/

## **Choosing Safer Activities**

	Unvaccinated People	Your Activity Outdoor	Fully Vaccinated People
Safest	9	Walk, run, or bike outdoors with members of your household	9
	9	Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated family and friends	<del>Q</del>
	<del>-</del>	Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people	Q
Less Safe	9	Dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households	Q
Least Safe	9	Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	9



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