Dear friends of CMNN, spring is here and all around us – the trees are blossoming, birds are singing their sweet songs, and warm sunshine fills the air. We have a variety of events and programs on the horizon. We hope to reopen in June, but will follow the guidance of local government as to an exact date. Museum hours will remain the same: 10am – 4:30pm, Monday thru Sunday.

We would like to introduce our newest Board members who have been essential in our efforts to push forward with Museum operations during this global health crisis. Please welcome Jeanne Stoneman, who has taken the lead in fundraising to prepare for our upcoming Pure Imagination Gala and has also helped us with museum marketing and merchandising. Lucia Patterson, a GIS Field Specialist and Geologist, has demonstrated great enthusiasm for developing a science club program. Melanie McCormick, Executive Director of CASA, provides valuable insight into the needs of children in our area. We are proud to have these outstanding members of the community on our team.

The summer of 2020 will see some nice and fun changes to our exhibits. First, Cruz Construction has donated their time and expertise in designing and constructing a new exhibit, Construction Zone, to replace the Schoolhouse. Also, we plan to upgrade our Nevada Natural History space, update the Nevada Room, refresh the dinosaur area, relocate Big Blue Dentistry, and redesign our model train display. It is our fervent hope that these transformations will inspire and bring joy to our guests and Museum members.

We are in the process of remodeling through the end of this month. These renovations are long overdue and include the restoration of the gymnasium floor on our main exhibit floor as well as some much needed repainting. We are very fortunate to have an incredibly talented muralist, Mona Sanatagan, painting beautiful scenes in the Museum entry and stage area. We look forward to seeing this lovely display which will delight our patrons for years to come. Thank you, Mona! Finally, we would like to recognize and express our gratitude to Sergio Otero, one of our new volunteers, who is assisting us with maintenance and remodeling.