EMERALD KEEPERS

For an Emerald Green, Ocean Blue Coronado

A MESSAGE FROM EMERALD KEEPERS

We invite you to join us for our September events – two from the comfort of your home and one that gets you on your feet and out the door to clean-up our Emerald City. Our September screening is an important must see film!

EMERALD SPOTLIGHT:



David Spatafore, Owner, Blue Bridge Hospitality

David Spatafore is concerned about the environment. He said, "The No. 1 reason my restaurants are Emerald Green, Ocean Blue is because I am a user of the water; so selfishly I find completely unacceptable the amount of plastics and trash that are in our water and on our beaches. We are finding plastics in Antarctica. We're finding plastics all over the world - even on remote islands – we're responsible for that. You can't do it all in one shot. You start making some small changes; you do it systematically, and eventually that will become one big change. It just starts with each person."

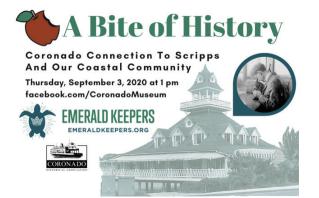
Blue Bridge Hospitality restaurants include: Little Frenchie, Leroy's Kitchen and Lounge, Stake Chop House & Bar, Village Pizzeria, and MooTime.



FACTS TO CONSIDER:

According to the United Nations, over 1,000,000 species are threatened with extinction and the current global response is insufficient. Transformative changes are needed to restore and protect nature. The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on **Biodiversity and Ecosystem** Services (IPBES) chair, Sir Robert Watson, says human activity is to blame. "We are eroding the very foundations of our economies, livelihoods, food security, health, and quality of life worldwide."





SEPT. 3

A Bite of History: Coronado Connection to Scripps and Our Coastal Community

Join Emerald Keepers and the Coronado Historical Association for a Thursday afternoon lunch and Bite of History at 1pm, online at facebook.com/CoronadoMuseum. Grab lunch from one of our Emerald Green, Ocean Blue Restaurants listed on our website and join us for a 30-minute presentation.



SEPT. 7 - 21

CAN THE TRASH! - Community Clean Up Join Emerald Keepers to clean up Coronado from the Cays to North Island, the ocean to the bay! Calling all community members and organizations (clubs, schools, service organizations, religious communities, North



Island Base commands) to clean your neighborhoods, places of work, and a public space or two (park, parking lot, beach, walkway, bicycle path)

between September 7 and 21. Send your high resolution trash pick-up photos to EmeraldKeepers@gmail.com to be entered in a drawing to win awesome prizes from local restaurants and businesses and Emerald Keepers' swag bag. Photos must be received by September 22. Drawing to be held on September 23. Winners will be notified via email. Use a bucket to collect your trash whenever possible to cut down the use of plastics. Remember to carry hand sanitizer and wash your hands afterwards. Let's do this, Coronado!

SEPT. 1 - 30

Virtual Screening of Chasing Coral

This important award-winning film follows a team of divers, photographers and scientists to photograph the elusive process of coral bleaching, a phenomenon happening at an unprecedented rate around the world from warming ocean temperatures. Three and a half in the making, features 500 hours of underwater footage, and submissions from over 30 countries. Go to EmeraldKeepers.org and click the Screenings tab to watch. Don't miss our important film discussion on Thursday, Sept. 30, with one of the leading coral experts.





SEPT. 30

Chasing Coral Discussion, 7pm

Join our discussion featuring Dr. Stephen Palumbi, Director, Stanford University Hopkins Marine Station, to learn about current coral research and restoration taking place around the world. Dr. Stephen Palumbi is a professor in Marine Sciences and Senior

Fellow at the Woods Institute for the Environment at Stanford University. His work on the genomics of marine



organisms focuses on basic evolutionary questions – but also on practical solutions to questions about how to preserve and protect the diverse life in the sea. Steve has lectured extensively on human-induced evolutionary change. He is developing genomic methods to help find ocean species resistant to climate change. His work on corals in American Samoa has identified populations more resilient to heat stress. The Zoom link will soon be posted under EVENTS at EmeraldKeepers.org.