# JANUARY NEWSLETTER



# Grand prize "Emily

(Receptionist San Andreas Medical) thank you for being laser-focused on the chiropractic patients!!! Turned a busy day into a smooth day!"

### Runners up Yolibeth

(Registered Dental Hygienist Sonora Dental), "All your patients have wonderful feedback for you."

#### "Catherine

(Family Nurse Practitioner Jackson Medical), thank you for caring for our patients and being so approachable."



Somehow, MACT keeps finding excellent new staff! Participating in community events and "giving back" to those in need have certainly helped!

## Meet our new Optometrist!

MACT Optometry is proud to announce the addition of our new optometrist, **Livia Galli Rasmussen**, O.D., M.S. Dr. Galli will be seeing patients in both the Sonora and San Andreas Optometry locations. She grew up in Calaveras County and graduated from Calaveras High School in 2013. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Neuroscience from University of San Diego. She graduated with her Doctorate of Optometry from Southern California College of Optometry and her Master of Science in Clinical Vision Research from NOVA Southeastern University.



Livia is a member of the San Joaquin Optometric Society and the California Optometric Association. Livia works with patients from the age of 0-120, finding and treating diseases like diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, macular degeneration and cataracts.

She enjoys finding the perfect eyeglass or contact lens prescription for patients and working with them to find the best possible vision to fit their lifestyle. In her spare time, she enjoys volunteering in her community, spending time with her husband and trying out new recipes. She currently serves as the secretary of the Gold Country Young Farmers & Ranchers. From Dr. Galli "The most rewarding part of my career is helping patient's see the world more clearly and have comfortable vision." Dr. Galli will be accepting new patients and caring for existing patients at both locations. Call 209.532.4123 or 209.674-6190. to schedule an eye appointment today!

Artist Bobby Von Martin is pictured with four of his incredible art prints he donated to MACT Health Board Inc. Thank you Bobby!

Stay tuned for pictures featured in one of our upcoming issues of the round house murals Bobby was commissioned by the board to do!





MACT staff and their families participated in the annual Ione Christmas Parade!

# Welcome Kristopher! MACT Director of the Museum!



Kristopher is excited to bring his experience and education to MACT to facilitate MACT's vision for the new cultural museum. Kristopher received his dual bachelors in Art History and Studio Art from San Francisco State University. During his time at SF State he received several scholarships and academic honors that allowed him to study abroad at the University of Amsterdam and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Australia. He was then offered a presidential grant for a full scholarship to John Cabot University in Rome, Italy, where he received his master's degree in art history. His international education has taught him several skills that will benefit the new museum, such as: artifact handling and conservation, critical thinking and appreciation for Native and Aboriginal cultures, as well as an emphasis in historical problem solving and research.

Kristopher has family in Calaveras and has often visited but did not live here until 2019 when he decided to make Calaveras a permanent home. He currently resides in Sheep Ranch and is very happy to live in the solitude of the mountains after many adventures and travels to cities internationally. He has worked for

three years as the executive director of the Calaveras County Historical Society and is the director of the Calaveras County Museums in San Andreas. Kristopher is passionate about preservation; the preservation artifacts, of buildings, and of cultures. Kristopher has worked tirelessly to conserve the collection of Native artifacts at the county museum and has taken every opportunity to learn about the complex and sensitive issues regarding the collection and the laws regarding repatriation. MACT is the perfect place to bring all of these skills and experiences together for the great purpose of preserving Miwuk Culture for future generations.

In his time outside of work Kristopher enjoys being in nature, creating art, and rebuilding pianos. You can also find him on stage and behind the scenes at the Metropolitan Theater in San Andreas where he directs, acts, and provides technical design for plays and musical performances. Kristopher is very excited about his future with MACT, and is looking forward to a busy and productive new year.

## Thank you for your exceptional service Steve Acuna, FNP

After 29 years with MACT, it is time for the next chapter in Steve Acuna's life.

We were able to celebrate him with a slide show at our annual all staff meeting that included many heart felt video messages from Steve's colleagues at MACT. There was a giant cake and many hugs...and tears. Please join us in wishing Steve the very best as he enjoys this special time with his family. He will be missed for many years to come!



### Tuna Salad Deviled Eggs

### Ingredients

- 8 large hard boiled eggs, halved (Instant Pot hard boiled egg recipe here)
- 2 6 oz cans albacore tuna, packed in water, drained
- 1 tbsp red onion, minced
- ☐1/3 cup light mayo, use compliant mayo for whole30
- ☐1 teaspoon red wine vinegar
- \_chopped fresh chives
- salt and pepper, to taste

#### Instructions

In a medium bowl combine the egg yolks with mayo and mash. Add tuna, red onion and red wine vinegar.

Scoop heaping spoonfuls of the tuna salad into the 16 halved eggs. Garnish with chives.



Upcoming Events & Holidays

January 1st **NEW YEARS DAY** all MACT Offices will be closed.



