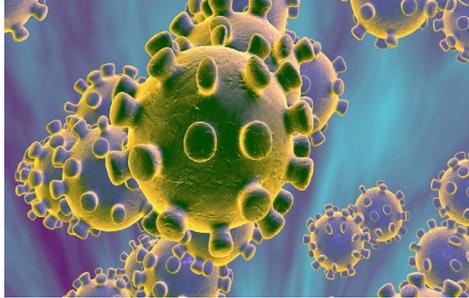




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Economy will rebound from The Covid 19 Virus but at what price!!



April 12, 2020 University of Washington professor Dr. Ali Mokdad, working on a key coronavirus model, told "Bill Hemmer Reports" Thursday that the number of deaths anticipated by his model has declined in recent days due to some positive trends emerging in the U.S. and in Europe.

The most recent modeling from the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation on Wednesday predicted that 60,415 Americans would die from the virus by Aug. 4 of this year. The model also projected that the number of daily deaths from coronavirus in the U.S. would peak at 2,212 on Sunday -- down from Monday's projected high of 3,130 deaths on April 16.

"How do you move so much within 48 hours, doctor?" Hemmer asked.

"Very positive news," Mokdad replied. " ... We have seen data coming to us from Italy and Spain, where the peak was much higher and faster, and it didn't go as high as we expected. At the same time, we have seen data coming from Washington state and California that informed our model and led to this positive news."

Mokdad added that it "seems people are staying at home and helping our medical institutions to take care of the patients and our physicians and hospitals are doing an amazing job by providing the best treatment and stretching the resources. And it seems everything is working so far."

On Thursday, Kristalina Georgieva, managing director for the International Monetary Fund, said she expected to see "the worst economic fallout since the Great Depression."

She said that the IMF will release an updated world economic forecast on Tuesday of next week that will show just how quickly the coronavirus outbreak has turned what was expected to be a solid year of growth into one of deep contraction.

Just three months ago, the IMF was forecasting that 160 nations would enjoy positive income growth on a per capita basis. Now the expectation is that over 170 nations will have negative per capita income growth this year.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Local restaurants need your help: celebrate with carry-out Easter specials

Arizona Cardinals to the rescue;

The Arizona Cardinals today announced the launch of an unprecedented initiative to assist independent, locally-owned restaurants that have been hit hard by the COVID-19 crisis while also recognizing nurses, doctors and other medical personnel.



The "Cardinals Carry-out" program begins today and will bring Cardinals players and fans together in a unique way to not only support the local restaurant community but also aid front-line health care providers. Throughout the campaign, the team will be highlighting select restaurants and coffee shops as well as heroes in the healthcare community.



"Locally-owned restaurants are the heart and soul of a community," Cardinals owner Michael Bidwill said. "They are what make the places we live special and give them their identity. We know they are hurting right now and we are calling on Cardinals fans to not only support them as customers but also share their favorites with the Red Sea as well. This also gives us the chance to show our gratitude to those in the medical community working tirelessly each day to care for those affected by the Coronavirus crisis."

Here are the details of how "Cardinals Carry-out" works:

An interactive statewide map that is available at both azcardinals.com/cardinalscarryout

and the Cardinals downloadable app will showcase local restaurants that are open for business and providing food for pick-up or delivery.

Each establishment on the map is marked with a "Cardinals Carry-out" icon. When clicked, it will display the restaurant's hours of operation, address, phone number and a link to its menu.

FAVORITES OF CARDINALS PLAYERS AND FANS: Initially, establishments on the map reflect the favorites of Cardinals players and staff as well as those suggested by Local First Arizona for their proximity to area hospitals. But fans also have the opportunity to nominate their top spots for inclusion on the map which will be constantly updated and expanded.

RESTAURANT SELECTION "DRAFT": In the spirit of the upcoming NFL Draft, restaurants and coffee shops will be selected for special recognition each day from April 13-24.

RECOGNIZING "HEALTHCARE HEROES": The Cardinals will then purchase meals from the selected establishments for distribution to the Healthcare Heroes on the front-line of the COVID-19 pandemic working at local hospitals and facilities.



Some local restaurants are offering to help keep some Easter traditions alive.

Of course, none of us can go out for Easter lunch or brunch this year, but some of your favorite places are helping bring lunch to you.

We all know this Easter is going to be different for all of us.

We talked to some restaurants in South Bend that are working want to help families celebrate during this pandemic.

"Oh Easter," said Mark McDonnell, "why don't we do some Easter packages?"

An Easter meal may not be on your mind this year, but restaurant owners like Mark McDonnell are trying to help you enjoy an Easter meal.

LaSalle Grill will serve carryout with ham, mashed potatoes, salmon, even wine-- delivered curbside.

"It's a great response to a terrible situation we're in," said McDonnell. "We hope to see the other side as soon as we can."

Another restaurant that has Easter options is Macri's.

"We realize Easter is different for many people around the world, but we still think it's important to celebrate, stay positive," said Adriana Macri.

If you're looking for Italian food, Macri's is offering curbside pickup this weekend.

"Carmella homemade lasagna, we also have our frozen section with everything from fresh marinara sauce to homemade meatballs."

And for dessert...

"My mom's homemade Easter bread that's a traditional Italian dessert, the homemade lamb cakes which are known in the area," said Macri.

The two restaurants say they've been able to stay busy with customers picking up food.

"To see how our community is coming together to support local places is great," said Macri.

There will be curbside pickup for Easter meals for LaSalle Grill tomorrow from 12 until 7pm, as well as Macri's.



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