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DA: Restaurant embezzler bought herself a Porsche

An employee of Palo Alto restaurants Rangoon Ruby and Burma Ruby has been charged with embezzling \$200,000 and using some of the money to buy a Porsche, the Santa Clara County District Attorney announced yesterday.

Jennifer Colvin, 40, worked for Rangoon Ruby Investments LLC and Burma Ruby Investments LLC, as director of human resources, payroll, and risk management. Colvin is alleged to have increased her monthly salary and paid

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Retiring cop slams police brass

Chief calls him a 'disgruntled' former employee

BY BRADEN CARTWRIGHT
Daily Post Staff Writer

A Palo Alto police officer wrote a scathing retirement letter attacking the department's leadership for being incompetent and out of touch and calling on the men and women of the department to stand up against them.

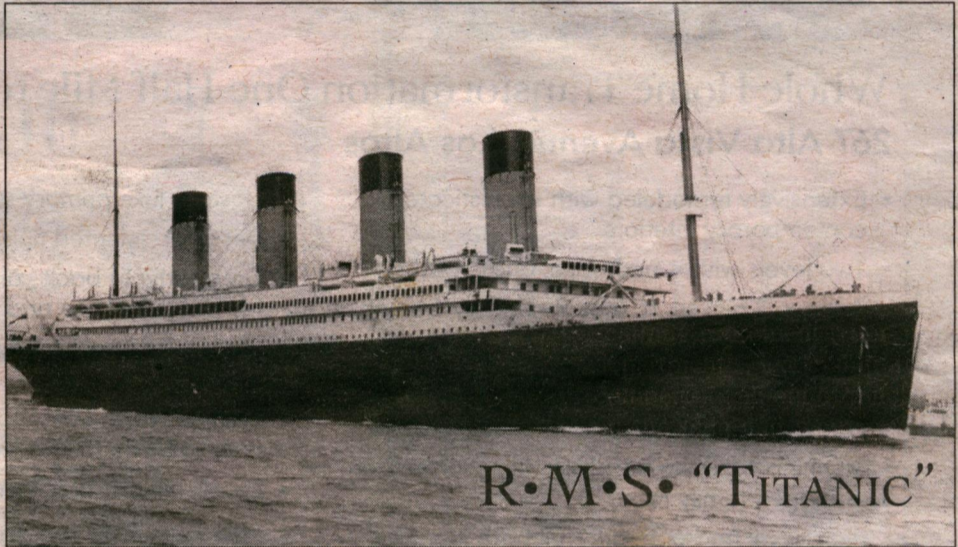
Police Chief Robert Jonsen said he won't respond to specific comments made by "a disgruntled employee," but that the letter surprised him and he is addressing stress felt by his officers in recent months.

The letter from Chris Moore, who retired on Aug. 28 after 12 years in Palo Alto, provides a rare glimpse into the generally private world of policing, shining light on one man's relationship with his higher-ups and fellow officers.

Moore wrote the letter to the entire police department before he left. He criticized Jonsen, Assistant Chief Andrew Binder and captains Zach Peron and April Wagner. He also called out the police officers union for being weak, and he encouraged officers to take action.

"To the men and women of the department, there are still fights to fight, and I encourage you to not live in fear or have further regrets," Moore wrote. "Remember, you have a choice in everything you do every day. Don't be a

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ILLUSTRATING HIS MESSAGE, retiring Palo Alto police Agent Chris Moore illustrated his one-page letter with a picture like this of the Titanic in the background.

THE UPDATE

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GIANTS TO FACE DODGERS: The Dodgers will play their arch rivals the Giants in Game 1 of the National League Division Series in San Francisco on Friday night. Last night, the Dodgers' Chris Taylor hit a two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat the St. Louis Cardinals 3-1 in the NL Wild Card game, a win that takes LA to the NLDS.

KAISER VAX SUSPENSIONS: Kaiser Permanente has suspended without pay 2,200 of its employees nationwide, about 2% of its work force, because they're refusing to get a Covid vaccination. If they don't get the vax by Dec. 1, they'll be fired.

ABORTION LAW ON HOLD: A federal judge in Texas yesterday

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Censure policy up for vote

BY BRADEN CARTWRIGHT
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The Los Altos City Council will vote next week on a censure policy to admonish council members who break the council's rules.

The policy comes in the wake of Councilwoman Lynette Lee Eng reading a text message from a resident and allegedly misrepresenting what it said during a meeting.

If the council approves the policy

Different words, different meanings

Censure: to express severe disapproval of someone in a formal statement

Censor: to suppress or delete objectionable material

at its Oct. 12 meeting, then the majority of the council could vote to censure another council member for violating the council's "norms and procedures,"

which were also recently updated to outlaw electronic communications.

A censure resolution would be

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No plans for Hero Pay in one county

BY EMILY MIBACH
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San Mateo County isn't planning to follow in Santa Clara County's footsteps and award employees with \$2,500 "Hero Pay" bonuses for working through the pandemic, Board of Su-


pervisors President David Canepa said yesterday.

On Tuesday, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors voted to use federal funds to award Hero Pay to all of its employees except the five supervisors and County Executive Jeff Smith.

When asked yesterday if San Mateo County is considering anything similar, Canepa pointed out that the county is in negotiations with its employees' unions, and there are "many issues to be discussed, and that may be one of

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