

HACIENDA CARMEL BULLETIN

JANUARY 30, 2025

NOTES FROM THE COMMUNITY MANAGER

The Lost & Found box in the paperback room is going to be emptied, and everything is going to the Goodwill. If you are missing anything please check the Lost & Found box.

EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The **Super Bowl** is set with the Seattle Seahawks playing the New England Patriots. The game will be played locally in Santa Clara at Levi Stadium. As we have done the past few years, E&E will host a **Super Bowl watch party** in the West Room. Bring your snacks and favorite beverage and watch the game in the West Room on February 8th starting at approximately 3:20PM. All Hacienda Carmel residents are invited to our 1st **International Potluck Dinner**, to be held at the West Room on Monday, February 23 at 5:00pm. Please bring a appetizer, main dish or dessert of your choice, with a note identifying the possible origin of the dish. It could serve 6-8 people. You're welcome to bring a beverage of your choice, but we will provide paper cups, disposable plates and utensils. We'll need a group of volunteers to make this an enjoyable feast! More information will be in a separate flyer. This will be a free event, and an enjoyable way to mingle with your neighbors! Any questions contact Linda Smith in unit #247. The **HACIENDA SPRING PATIO TOUR** is celebrating its 10th anniversary and the 2026 tour will be on **SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH** from noon to 3:30. Registration forms to sign up your patio are available at the Front Desk Finally, the **Aquarius sun-sign luncheon** will take place on Thursday February 5th. A sign-up sheet is at the front desk.

ARTISTS OF HACIENDA CARMEL

We are welcoming back our Members and Friends this Membership Drive month and would like to invite any other Hacienda Carmel residents who would like to join our group to contact Lynne Silver in Unit #90 for details! Some of the benefits are our lunches and field trips, both of which are upcoming in February. February's Art Luncheon will be at Noon on February 12 in the West Room. The **jeweler Irene Patton** will tell us about her designs and how she works with silver. Reserve a seat by signing up in the Paperback Room.

THE BOOK SHOPPE

"Meet Your Local Authors": From a demanding and successful career interviewing the rich and the famous for the BBC, PBS, and NPR, our next local author and her husband have made Carmel their home, a place where they came annually to celebrate their wedding anniversary, a peaceful, charming, and beautiful place evocative of love. Alison van Diggelen set out to do what she does best, to introduce herself to her neighbors and to her community by interviewing them (30 of them, in fact) for her book, *The Love Project*. You will recognize many. Come hear their stories. Mark your calendars for Monday, February 23, West Room, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bring your best questions so that we can interview Alison! **New Volunteers at the Book Shoppe:** We can always use a few extra hands for regular shifts or to serve as back-ups as needed. Flexible hours. Easy commute. **Donations:** Drop off books when the Shoppe is open (hours are posted on the Shoppe window), or call Pat Little-Auguston, 831-293-3153, for pickups. (Do not call 831-625-7729, which is Pat's landline to collect telemarketing calls.) Proceeds from book sales help the H.C. Library purchase NEW books. The Book Shoppe does not buy books for residents. We specialize in patching up and refurbishing used books to extend their lives and to "recycle" them to new readers. Visit us to see first-hand. While at the Shoppe, have a cookie or an old-fashioned Tootsie Roll while you browse.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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LIBRARY

Yep, there are more than the morning newspapers on the Hacienda coffee tables in the lobby and library areas: stop for a minute or more and lug one of our **COFFEE TABLE BOOKS** onto your lap. Note the heavy, shiny paper. See the beautiful artworks and photographs from exotic places or of unique cultures or by creative artists. Read the paragraphs & identifiers that tell you about the contents.

These tomes are the **Biggest & Most Beautiful Books** in our Hacienda Library collection. They don't fit on the shelves like the smaller over-3000 titles we have, so Coffee Table Books grace our coffee tables and side tables and lower or upper library shelves, while some of their covers peek over the edges to entice you to look. The Hacienda Library has COFFEE TABLE BOOKS in many categories—Art, History, Geography, Travel, Science, Whimsey...and more. They are to be used in and around the library and not usually taken home. They are for all of us residents to Peruse and Review.

Take a few minutes to handle a really gorgeous book from the coffee table & **ENJOY!**

CONSCIOUS AGING WOMENS GROUP

Join us! Our group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Durr Rm. from 1 to 3 pm. We will explore what aging means today! The joys and the challenges of this time of our lives, We use dialogue, sharing, poetry, speakers, creative arts, and writing with an occasional field trip together. What does being a senior today mean to you? Come laugh with us and yes, sometimes cry with us, but always support each other on this journey in our lovely Hacienda Carmel community! For more information please call Rose Welch .#249 831-238-6008 from my iPhone

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