

HACIENDA CARMEL BULLETIN

APRIL 24, 2026

NOTES FROM THE COMMUNITY MANAGER

There will be a **planned power outage** on April 27, between 10am & 11am.

To all members – unfortunately, due to circumstances that have occurred at the front desk, we have to adhere to the “**Mail, Package Deliveries & Information Center**” **Ground Rule. (#13)**, which states “...placement of items in resident’s boxes is limited to stamped or metered mail received from the post office along with official mail from or to the Association. Official Association mail includes: Information or special notices from Hacienda management, the Board of Directors, or recognized committees. Any other type of bulk distribution to Hacienda mailboxes, whether in small or large quantities, is subject to approval by management.” As a result, letters to the Board of Directors or recognized Association groups’ notices will be put in boxes, but personal missives can no longer be dropped, without being mailed, at the front desk. If delivering mail to people’s front doors, please do not tape the missive to the door or wall. The Board of Directors will be looking at the Ground Rule to determine if it should be amended.

EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

PATIO TOUR TODAY, APRIL 25TH! Patios will be open from noon to 3:30 and tour maps and information will be available at Casa Central, starting 11am.

E&E wishes to thank the **Alzheimer’s Association** for their informative lecture on “**Building Brain Healthy Habits.**” The attendees learned quite a bit about how lifestyle changes can reduce the risk of cognitive decline. **Movie night is moving.** Movie night will now take place on Monday’s at 6:00PM. Please check the flyer and the T.V. screen in Casa Central. There will be a **youth piano recital** on May 9th at 2:00 in Casa Fiesta. Mark your calendars, as the parents brought an amazing food spread last year.

ARTISTS OF HACIENDA CARMEL

Mark your calendars for next weekend May 2-3! Pacific Grove Artisans and Musicians will treat us with the “Good Old Days” celebration on both days from 9:00 to 6:00. There is a parade on Saturday morning, and downtown Lighthouse Avenue is full of booths with very fine crafts, food and music venues, a wonderful Spring tradition! Also, May 2 is “Print Day in May”, now a worldwide event begun years ago by Robynn Smith, then teacher of Printmaking and Painting at Monterey Peninsula College. She and her fellow teachers began exchanging prints and having print workshops with friends from many different countries. They have a Facebook page “Print Day in May”. You may make a print that day, or a rubbing, press print a flower, etc., and upload your work to the Facebook page. Join a worldwide art event!!!

Notice to Membership: If you missed the Candidate Forum on April 20th and/or have questions you would like to address to me, Art Sutton, candidate for a seat on the HCCA Board of Directors, please join me on Monday, April 27th and Monday, May 4th from 1-3pm. I have reserved the Durr Room and I look forward to seeing you there and listening to your concerns.

THE BOOK SHOPPE

“**Meet Your Local Author**”: Dan Linehan, a renowned scientific researcher and writer with a deep interest in environmental issues, will introduce us to his innovative seven-episode multimedia serial novel *The Princess at the Bottom of the World*. He has won numerous awards for his non-fiction, screenwriting, and poetry. His *SpaceShipOne: An Illustrated History* contains a foreword by famous science fiction writer Sir Arthur C. Clarke. Dan is creativity in overdrive, with many stories to tell. His passion is to merge science and art in ways to make important subjects accessible to the public. Meet him on Monday, May 11, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., in the West Room. **Donations to Book Shoppe:** Drop off books at the Book Shoppe (hours posted on the Shoppe window), or call Pat Little-Auguston, 831-293-3153, for pickups. Proceeds from book sales help the H.C. Library purchase NEW books.

The Artists of Hacienda Carmel

Hosted a lunch-with-speaker on Thursday, April 9th. We had a extra-large response to our sign-up sheet and found that 30 people (members of AoHC and other residents) wanted to join the event in the West Room and four others were willing to just listen/not have lunch. This event requires a table set-up and food service from our Hacienda restaurant as well as a hot speaker on a hot topic. It was a Terrific Success!! On behalf of AoHC, I want to **THANK**, especially, **Chef Bill** for the good food that came out at the same time! Waiters **Paula & Chris** who took orders carefully & brought food out quickly after the speaker had finished. Table set-up fellow **Daniel** who brought all the tables & chairs in orderly fashion. **Robin** at the Front Desk for checking on our reservations. And, others who contributed behind the scene. AoHC appreciates the hard work and the collaboration in the success of the monthly Lunches and knows that Art adds greatly to the joy in living at Hacienda Carmel.