

# HACIENDA CARMEL BULLETIN

MAY 8, 2026

## NOTES FROM THE COMMUNITY MANAGER

I hope everyone has seen the new walkway railings that Maintenance has been installing. They're a wonderful addition to Hacienda. The new pool deck should be finished on Monday, May 11, which will be another nice addition for Hacienda. Management and Staff would like to wish a Happy Mother's day to all the mothers and grandmothers who made us all who we are today. Thanks Mom!

## EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Movie night is moving. **Movie night** will now take place on Monday's at 6 p.m. Please check the flyer and the TV screen in Casa Central. There will be a **youth piano recital** on May 9 at 2 p.m. in Casa Fiesta. Mark your calendars as the parents brought an amazing food spread last year.

Mary Young will treat us to a **travel presentation** on May 17 in Casa Fiesta starting at 2 p.m. This will be based on her trip to **Antarctica** several years ago. Check out the flyer in the Information Rack. Memorial Day is coming up. E&E will host a **hot dog barbecue** event on the Village Green. It will take place on May 25. We are working on providing live entertainment. Keep your eye out for a flyer and on the TV slide show in Casa Central.

**FUN, FUN, FUN!!** The **Quattlebaum Scavenger Hunt** will take place on Friday, May 29 from 1-4 p.m., starting at Casa Fiesta and ending at Jan's Patio in the garden. The sign-up sheet to enter "The Hunt" will be available at the Front Desk starting Monday morning, May 11. Entries are limited to 30 teams of one or two people. Be the first to sign up

## GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE

**MOTHERS DAY MAY 10, 10 a.m. -2 p.m.**

**The Hacienda Carmel Garden Club's** 11th annual plant sale will occur Sunday May 10 in front of Casa Central from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. There will be a wonderful variety (including some rare plants) and selection of colors at great prices. Perfect to beautify your patio or give as a gift to your mother, a friend, neighbor, or family. Please spread the word!

These plants were lovingly grown from cuttings and tended for months by volunteers from the Hacienda Carmel Garden Club. All proceeds support the sustainability of the Garden Club and the continued beautification of the West End area surrounding it, including Jan's Patio, which is available to all residents of Hacienda Carmel. We are the devoted custodians of this beautiful part of Hacienda Carmel.

**Please come join us for the plant sale and tell your friends and family to come as well. Help us spread the word about the fundraiser.**

## ARTISTS OF HACIENDA CARMEL

It is **Art Luncheon** time again! On **Thursday May 14 at Noon** we will learn about area acrylic artist **Celeste Gitthen's "Third Act"** in the creative world. Be inspired to keep up your artistry and join us in the West Room. Sign up in the Paperback Room. On Saturday May 9 the **Carmel Art Association** has an opening reception for their exhibit "**Board Works**" featuring the diverse work of 15 of their board members. The opening will be from 4 - 7: p.m. complete with jazz music and a brief performance by violinist Tien-Hsin Cindy Wu at 6 p.m. The exhibit is also online on their website if you cannot attend in person.

## 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.

## **CANDIDATE'S CORNER**

**“Jay Zimmer**, is a unique candidate. He brings a skill set that we’ve never had at Hacienda Carmel. While I don’t know him from a professional standpoint, I am aware of his strong reputation at Carmel Valley Manor, and I’ve seen firsthand how he approaches people and challenges in his personal life. It’s clear he brings a thoughtful, steady, and solutions-oriented mindset to everything he does. Jay has a natural ability to listen deeply, understand different perspectives, and bring people together—qualities that translate into strong leadership in any setting. Jay is the kind of person who elevates the environment around him, and I believe those strengths would make him an invaluable addition to HC.”  
— **Byrl Anderson-Smith. Submitted by Jay Zimmer**

**Art Sutton**, candidate for the Board of Directors at Hacienda Carmel, brings a wealth of knowledge to this position that can only be gained through years of dedication to the values that best support the needs of our residents. Over the past 60 plus years, Hacienda Carmel has been fortunate to have been served by a dedicated staff as well as hundreds of resident volunteers in a multitude of committees and boards, all of whom did what they thought was in the best interest of our members. I have never been one to try to gain favor by criticizing the efforts of others, and I won’t start now. If elected I pledge not to disappoint. **Submitted by Art Sutton**