

FOUR SEASONS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT!

Retired now, what am I going to do?

A Viet Nam Veteran and fun-loving senior citizen, I have enjoyed an adventurous life, gaining many friends and acquaintances along the way. From the Military to the Race Horse Industry, as a Realtor and then into Hospitality, my adventures never end. Currently, I am attempting an enterprise as a writer. Thank God for spell check, Grammarly, and my great neighbors that volunteered (were coerced) into being my guinea pigs.

My first book, ARE YOU READY FOR IT? Artificial Intelligence in Politics is ready for release. Writing a book is hard, and if you are a first-time writer, even harder to get published. I went the self-published route and am using BookBaby to print and distribute my work.

Are You Ready For It is a Political Fiction Satire and was recently reviewed by Readers Favorite Book Reviews. With the highest score a five, the book received two fives and a four.

These are comments from Rabia Tanveer, one of the book reviewers.

Are You Ready For It? is an entertaining story. L. Hanson is hilarious in the way he narrates the story and how he introduces the characters. Hammond Trekker isn't really dumb, but he isn't the most competent character. He fits the bill, and that makes him the perfect protagonist for the story. Honestly, I was very much interested in finding out who Vladimir was and why he and La Firm were so invested in getting a man inside the Oval office. The author wrote short chapters and packed them with enough information to have the reader wanting more and reading until the end. I loved the semi-sarcastic narrative, the intrigue, and the overall ambiance of the story. This was a surprisingly easy, light, and exceptionally fun novel. The added references to the recent past of American history made sure the reader knew the narrative was not just fun and games. L. Hanson brings attention to the fact that having a competent and worthy president is very important. Sometimes, outside forces will not hesitate in using all their resources to interfere with the future of a country. This book would be appreciated by everyone who loves to read political stories with just a hint of humor.

My goal was to write a story that pertains to current events but injects some humor and questions into the political environment. I am working on a sequel and would love comments, positive or negative, to guide me with the continuing story.

I have softcover copies available for immediate purchase at \$17.27, which includes the sales tax, or the book will be available on Amazon and other sites as softcover or e-book, in a couple of weeks.

Thank you

Larry Hanson

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Temporary Gate Code Change! Effective Monday, June 1st 2020

If you would like to obtain the new temporary code please contact the Lodge Front Desk at 661-873-0580

Your personal gate code will stay the same!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ANNUAL MEETING 2020 ELECTION

It's almost time to elect members to the Four Seasons at Bakersfield Board of Directors for 2020-2021!

The Nominating Committee is urging homeowners to participate in this election process! Ballots go out on June 15th and are due on July 15th at 6PM.

Mail your ballots before July 10th to allow mail delivery before July 14th. You may also hand deliver your ballot to the Inspector of Elections at the Annual Meeting on July 15th by 6PM.

K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons Lodge at Bakersfield Community Association



Four Seasons Newsletter



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Customer Service
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IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Four Seasons at
Bakersfield
www.fsbhoa.com

Seabreeze Management
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K. Hovnanian Homes
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Rodger Barnes
Secretary

Bill Ferguson
Treasurer

Mack Wimbish
Director

Rick Paglia
Director

Judy West
Director

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APRIL 22ND, 2020 BOARD MEETING RECAP

- The Board approved the March 2020 Association and Café Financial Statements
- The Board approved Stay Green to remove Podocarpus at Lodge entrance and replace with 8-15 gal Camellias for \$1,477.72
- The Board approved the Access Control Policy
- The Board approved the purchase of an Irrigation Flowmeter Controller
- The Board approved Kern Floor Care to clean the Lodge carpet and tile for \$2,686.75
- The Board approved Open & Shut to install Fire Strobe system on North and South Gates for \$2,400
- The Board approved to move the Annual Meeting to July 15, 2020

MAY 15TH, 2020 BOARD MEETING RECAP

- The Board approved to open the exterior amenities Monday-Friday 6am-9pm, Saturday 9am-9pm and closed on Sunday via side gate to residents ONLY, excluding the BBQ and Pool Areas, on or before June 1st, 2020 and have Board volunteers if staff isn't available
- The Board approved to issue keys to the Lodge and Fire/Bug alarm codes to two Directors
- The Board approved to include the Firepit/Patio Area to remain closed at this time

MAY 27TH, 2020 BOARD MEETING RECAP

- The Board approve the April 2020 Association and Café Financial Statements
- The Board accepted the Generator Policy to implement in the Architectural Standards and Procedures
- The Board approved to reopen the Patio/Firepit Area with restrictions on June 1st, 2020
- The Board approved to re-open the Beauty Bar under CDC and County regulations
- The Board approved the Engagement Letter from Wren Kelly, CPA's as Inspector of Elections for 2020 Board Elections
- The Board approved the 2019 Financial Review and distribute to membership
- The Board accepted the 2019 tax returns, payments and estimated tax payments
- The Board approved to form a Pool Committee in which the volunteers would create the Charter for Board approval
- The Board approved wording and instruct Management to post and send to membership by Individual and General Delivery the General Release of Liability COVID 19

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

I want to welcome all new homeowners into the community! If you are a new resident and would like to help with our community please contact our office (661-873-0580) for information on our various committees/clubs.

Our elections are coming up so you will see people begin their campaigning efforts. The Annual Meeting of our homeowners is on July 15, 2020.

Going forward the board will continue to take the right steps to ensure we preserve property values, maintain all common areas, and increase community involvement. We are working toward opening our Lodge and Pool. Once we receive the green light from the State and City of Bakersfield we will be cleaning our Lodge and grounds and will let you know when the Lodge and Pool are open for business.

A reminder about our community streets, stop and speed limit signs are posted - This is Our Neighborhood and speeding on our streets must be stopped. We strive for everyone to take time to be kind to one another and remember also to protect their personal property by keeping their cars locked with items that have any perceived value out of sight. Communication and community awareness is more important now than ever before.

This is a time of reflection, sustainability and most important; remaining healthy. Many are utilizing this time to take advantage of our walkable community.

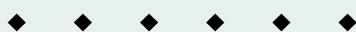
Thank you to each of you for your respect in my leadership, the commitment of our board, volunteers, committees, staff and your personal contributions, whatever they may be. We all want to keep our neck of the woods a clean and safe place to live, work, and play.

May each of us and our families remain safe and feel secure in combating the Coronavirus. Please remember to respect yourselves and others in keeping the 6 foot distance rule with one another.

Kathy Clark // Board President

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*"The greatness of a **community** is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members." – Coretta Scott King*

THE CORNER OFFICE

The Annual Meeting of the Member is fast approaching, and Ballots will soon be in your mailbox. It is vital that you open your ballot and vote. Even if you do not want to vote, please assist us in saving money and return your ballot to the Inspector of Elections. To meet quorum, we must have at least 50% of the community return their ballots.

In a separate mailing, you will be receiving your 2019 financial audit. This document is a summary of an independent CPA's review of the financial statements. Although, it may be intimidating to some, as members of this association, it is important to read and understand your finances. Understanding your financials will play a big role into the understanding why the Board makes some of the decisions they make. If you have questions about the financials, please do not hesitate to call me. The Landscape Committee is diligently working on sorting through the many conflicting regulations in the CC&R's regarding front yard maintenance. The conflict arises as Exhibit D of the CC&R's defines responsibility of the maintenance obligation of the front yards, it does not define who owns the plants. This is important as there are many trees in the community that are planted on water valves or mains, and electrical boxes. There are other trees that are planted so close to homes they may eventually cause structural damage. Who is responsible for any damage? If the HOA owns the plants and trees and is responsible for the maintenance, then they hold all the risk and liability. Conversely, if the homeowners own the front yard landscape, and the HOA simply mows and weeds, then the owners hold the risk and liability. On the other hand, depending upon ownership comes the responsibility and financial cost of replacement. This must be defined in the new set of CC&R's currently being drafted. Your input will be very valuable in this process. The Landscape Committee intends to hold a Town Hall in July regarding Landscaping and this very subject.

The new phone system has been installed thanks to the IT Committee, Dave Keeney, and Dave Waterman. This system is designed to eliminate many of our telephone numbers therefore saving the association thousands of dollars each year. When calling you will first notice that you will only have to remember one number: 661-873-0580. An automated attendant will answer asking you where you would like your call directed. For example, dial 1 for the General Manager, Dial 2 for the Assistant Manager, Dial 4 for the Café and Dial 5 for Movies, etc. We expect this system to go live on or about June 10th.

The LED Light Conversion has begun in the Lodge. The Board engage PG&E and Seron Energy to convert all incandescent and CFL bulbs to LED. This will lead to a 50% to 65% energy savings from the current lighting cost. Moreover, the warranty on the bulbs and labor will save a tremendous amount on our current lighting maintenance cost. The program is financed by PG&E and repaid over the next three years. The monthly loan repayment is equivalent to the net energy savings per month. Therefore, your energy bill will not increase with the loan repayment, rather the association will not realize the true savings until the loan is repaid in about 3 years.

Lastly, remember to stay hydrated, the summer heat has seem to come early this year.

Jeff Hayward // General Manager

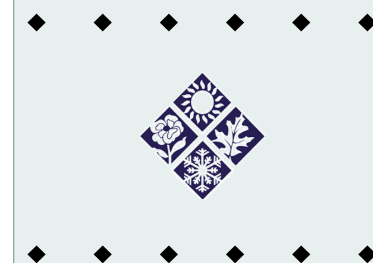


These are beautiful Iceberg Roses located in the round about right in front of the Four Seasons Lodge



The next Board of Directors Meeting will be **June 24th, 2020** at **6PM** Via Conference Call

Meeting ID and Password will be posted on Agenda prior to meeting



HOURS OF OPERATION

Currently the Lodge, Pool/Spa & BBQ Areas are closed. Sports Courts and Patio/Firepit Areas are open for enjoyment, via side gate during the following hours

Monday-Friday:
6am-9pm

Saturday:
9am-9pm

Sunday:
CLOSED

Stay tuned to find out when Lodge and Pool areas re-open