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RANCH RAMBLINGS APRIL 2025 ISSUE

Message from the President

Dear Hope Ranch Neighbors,

I am honored to serve as your new HRPHA Board President and look forward to working with the Board, management team, and most importantly, you—the homeowners—to ensure our community remains a great place to live. My goal, which is a Board-shared goal, is to promote transparency, engagement, and efficiency in how we manage HRPHA matters.

Key Updates & Priorities

- **Ramping Up:** Your new Board has hit the road running. They are eagerly and diligently chartering committees, digging into financial and other records, and we are beginning prioritizing and planning for the near and long term.
- **Through the Woods Trail (TTWT):** April 3, 2025, the HRPHA TTWT ADR Committee (Laurie Kurilla, Suzanne Reuter), accompanied by GM Jill Van Zeebroeck, and HRPHA Attorney Matt Ober will be attending an ADR meeting with specific homeowners regarding the Through the Woods Trail.
- **Committees & Community Involvement:** As we create/approve new committees the charters will be posted on the HopeRanch.org website under “Committees”, and a call for volunteers will go out with Jill’s Friday e-blast. The charters define the scope and responsibilities of each committee, which helps guide us as well as provide information to help you decide which committees you are interested in. Once committee membership has been approved, the roster will be posted on the website, as well. Most committees are seeking people with an interest in the topic, and only a couple of committees suggest expertise and/or experience which is beneficial to the work of the committee. While approving committees we are also determining which committees should be considered “standing” versus ad hoc committees. Standing committees are those that have a broad, long-term purpose, and should be identified in the governing documents. They are established to oversee ongoing functions and responsibilities of the HOA. They usually operate year-round for an indefinite period of time. Typical examples of HOA Standing committees include the ABR, Finance/Budget, Landscape/Maintenance, Rules & Compliance, Communications or Website, and Welcome Committee. Ad hoc committees, sometimes

MARK YOUR CALENDERS

APRIL 8TH

ABR BOARD
MEETING

3:00 PM

3820 STATE ST.

APRIL 22ND

BOARD MTG.

3:00 PM

3820 STATE ST.

MAY 8TH

HRPHA-LCMWC

MEETING 2PM

LOCATION TBD

MAY 13TH

ABR BOARD MTG.

3:00PM

3820 STATE ST.

MAY 27TH

BOARD MTG.

3:00PM

3820 STATE ST.

referred to as a Task Force, are created for a specific purpose or short-term projects with no ongoing responsibilities beyond their defined purpose.

Pending Committees: Some of the committees which will be coming forward for discussion, include Mediation, Website, Elections, and more. Stay tuned.

Formalization of the Laguna Blanca CUP Committee will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

- Upcoming Board Meetings: Our Board meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month to conduct Association business. In addition, there will be a “HRPHA – LCMWC Informational Meeting” when our two boards (Hope Ranch and La Cumbre Mutual Water Company) will meet on May 8th at 2pm. This is an opportunity for us to explore and share information and opportunities. No Association business will be conducted, but we encourage you to attend. Additional information will be forthcoming.

What You Can Expect Going Forward

While attending Board meetings is a good way of providing input as well as keeping up to date with issues, activities, and actions of the Association, we intend to employ surveys and town hall meetings along the way.

Bi-monthly newsletters and weekly eblasts will include key updates, reminders, and opportunities to engage with the board and community initiatives. My commitment to you is open communication and responsiveness to homeowner concerns.

Thank you for your participation at the Annual Meeting, the Annual Election, attending Board meetings, and volunteering for committees. Your participation is the strength of our Association, and we look forward to your continued participation and input.

Sincerely,

Laurie J. Kurila, President, Hope Ranch Park
Homes Association



Message from the General Manager

Welcome Spring! With floral blooms in abundance, and the days getting longer, Mother Nature gives us a gentle nudge that summer is just around the corner. It's a wonderful time of year in Santa Barbara. I hope you take the time to enjoy it, as summer will be here before you know it. Speaking of summer, the crews are preparing to do some work at the beach and playground areas in the next few months before turning their attention to the roads. Specifically, they will be tackling the replacement of the Kayak/Surfboard stalls and preparing the playground for new equipment.

SUMMER PROECTS

The Kayak storage facility project will be done in house and will take about 3-4 weeks. If you are renting a space there, you will be asked to move your item out soon. The goal is to have this area completed by mid-May at the latest. If you do not plan to renew your space, please let us know now, so we can coordinate for those on the waiting list to move in to spaces that become available.

At the March 25th board meeting a presentation for new playground equipment was made by Kristen Franz, Chair of the Playground Committee and a rep from Kompani Playground Equipment. The design was approved in concept, giving the go ahead to move to the next step which is to get a contract finalized with more specific numbers based on our needs and site location. The Ranch can save money having our crew do the installation and the equipment comes with a lifetime warranty. The committee will be working with Adrienne Schuele for her fundraising expertise to help offset costs associated with this project (stay tuned for more information on how you can help).

2025 CHIP SEAL PROJECT

The streets scheduled for chip seal work this year are (in alphabetical order): Bithynia, Camino Medio, Corona, La Ladera, Mariposa II Monte II, Silvestre, Sonriente, Via Carretas, Via Cayente II, Via Fruiteria, Via Hierba, Via Rosita, and Vieja Drive from Las Palmas to the fire gate. That may seem like a "lot of road to cover" but we budget for 450K sq ft of road each year. That is why we sent out notices to remind Members of the overhead trimming that needs to be done before the project begins. If you live on one of these roads and can get the work done, please feel free to start now.

FIRE HARDENING REQUESTS

I wanted to thank everyone again, who cooperated in our request for fire hardening their property over the last few months. We sent out 26 notifications, and of those, 11 have been completed with the remaining noted as "in progress" status. Fire season is now year- round in California. Thank you to everyone for doing your part!

See you around the Ranch,
Jill Van Zeebroeck, General Manager



ANGELS FOSTER CARE

invites you to join them at their 12th annual

Al Fresco Afternoon

IN FULL BLOOM

APRIL 25, 2025

11AM - 2PM

RITZ-CARLTON BACARA

[ANGELSFOSTERCARE.ORG/EVENTS](https://angelsfostercare.org/events)

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (3.31.25)



CONCEPTUAL (12)

Lowe	4121 Creciente Dr.
Nesbit	4589 Vieja Dr.
Bidwell	4365 Llano Drive
Campbell	980 Via Tranquila
Blat Family Trust	4110 Creciente Dr
Sorenson	4220 Mariposa Dr.
Halstad	895 Via Hierba
Von Wiesenberger	46265 Via Huerto

Thoman	700 V. Hierba
Excelsior LLC	4161 Creciente
Vernon	3990 Cuervo
Barbara Ray Tr	4689 V. Roblada

PRELIMINARY (18)

Arntz	1489 Cantera
Nielsen	4380 Llano Drive
Flynn/Golde	1564 Cantera
Dipaola	3911 Via Laguna
Pasquinelli	4683 Via Roblada
Artigas/Etchegaray	4131 Marina Drive
Newton	4343 Marina Drive
Flynn	4225 Cresta Avenue
Katona	4375 Via Glorieta

Sher	4295 Mariposa
Stanton	585 Las Palmas
Anzalone/Brose	4191 Mariposa
Vernon	4655 Via Huerto
Lukaszewicz	4630 Via Vistosa
Barnick	4321 Marina Dr.
Roblata Holdings	4629 Roblada
Zimmerman	1475 Cantera
Scales	785 Carosam

FINAL (9)

Kopf	3979 Laguna Blanca
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Esquenazi	4140 Marina
Loncki	4480 Via Esperanza
Econn	1530 Roble Drive
Dukes	4035 Ramitas

Katona	4375 Glorieta
Poirier	4675 Huerto
Blanc	4426 Alegre

PATROL REPORT

Prepared by Frank Mendez, Patrol Post Commander

January 23 1:55PM – While patrolling the 1300-blk. of Las Palmas Dr., patrol made a casual car-to-ped contact with a female who appeared to be a transient to see if she needed any assistance. The female was carrying a bag and was found to be lost and looking for the beachfront road as she was trying to get to the next city over. Patrol provided directions to the female along the county road. Patrol noticed the female was talking to herself as she walked along, and it appeared she had no sense of direction through the Ranch as patrol gave her directions a 2nd time. The 2nd patrol unit monitored the female's progress and at one point, the female approached the patrol car and began making threats and became verbally abusive towards patrol and aggressive as she hit the patrol car with her hand (no damage to the patrol car) and spat on the patrol car driver's side window. Patrol gained some distance from the female and monitored from a safe distance away. At one point patrol noticed the female appeared to have started what looked like a voodoo ceremony, stabbing and striking a doll on the asphalt. The female also directed a tongue perfusion with strange facial expressions towards the patrol officer. Both patrol units monitored, and the SB Sheriff's Department was called for assistance and a SB Sheriff's Sergeant responded. The female was contacted by the Sheriff's Sergeant on Via Roblada and soon after, was removed from the Ranch and transported off site. Note: The patrol staff who dealt with this situation used great restraint and resolved the situation without further incident. Despite this experience, Patrol will continue to respond and help the homeless/transient community who find themselves, sometimes lost, in the Ranch.

January 25 3:28PM – Patrol received a report from a Resident who reported a vehicle parked at Via Esperanza and Via Tranquila and it appeared someone was living out of the vehicle. The vehicle was seen stuffed with personal items. Patrol checked the area, but the vehicle was gone. No other sightings were reported.

January 27 11:08AM – Patrol received a report from a Resident walking on Via Roblada who reported 2 loose small white pug dogs running in the street. Patrol responded and was directed west on Via Roblada. Patrol checked the area and a 2nd sighting of the dogs lead patrol down a shared driveway, where patrol found the dogs had returned home, safe and sound. Patrol spoke to the dogs' owner and advised her of the coyote activity in the Ranch.

January 28 10:55AM – Patrol received a report from a Resident on the 4400-blk of Via Esperanza who reported that someone broke into her locked mailbox the night before. The Resident provided video footage of a male in a SUV that pull up to the Resident's and the neighbor's mailboxes and opened both. The Resident said access was made into her mailbox without damaging it. Patrol reviewed video footage and noted the vehicle appeared to be a Hyundai SUV. Patrol checked the HR FLOCK license plate reader cameras and the Cliff Dr. video cameras and noticed a similar Hyundai SUV exited out the Marina Dr. exit at 3:41am. The Hyundai's plate # was captured by FLOCK. The Resident was provided an online reporting link to the US Post Office and

the SB Sheriff's to report the mail theft. Patrol advised the Resident that patrol would assist Law Enforcement by providing them with the Hyundai's license plate and vehicle info.

January 30 12:30AM – Patrol received a report from a Resident who reported her two white horses loose on Mariposa. Patrol responded and assisted the Resident with getting her horses back into their stable without incident.

January 30 8:06PM – While patrolling the 4500-blk. of Via Esperanza, patrol located a silver Nissan SUV parked on the equestrian trail. Patrol recognized the Nissan from a prior patrol contact where a male was found sitting in the back seat while parked directly in the roadway on Via Laguna. During that 1st contact, it was determined the male did not have any legitimate business in the Ranch and he left without incident. During this 2nd contact, patrol noticed a male in the back seat of the Nissan, and he gave the same excuse as before that his Nissan was overheating. The male denied the prior patrol contact and it was again determined the male did not have any legitimate business in the Ranch and patrol requested the male to leave. The male gave patrol attitude, but was advised Law Enforcement would be called. The male left without incident. NOTE: During both contacts, the male advised he works by Arroyo Burro Beach. The Nissan has not been seen again.

February 01 2:47PM – Patrol received a report from a Resident on the 4500-blk of Via Esperanza who reported that he believed a large package was stolen from his front yard. No timeline and/or suspect vehicle description was provided. The Resident also mentioned having his mail stolen in the past, but did not report it. Patrol suggested adding cameras and providing information to report the incident to Law Enforcement.

February 01 7:51PM – Patrol received a request from a Resident on Lago who asked patrol to check her home as she was away, and her neighbor advised her that the residence had some lights on inside and a 2nd story balcony door was wide open. Patrol contacted the Sheriff's Department for assistance and the exterior doors were checked and found locked. While checking through the windows, the Sheriff's and patrol could see many drawers open throughout the house. It appeared the house had been ransacked. The Sheriff's called for back-up and a family member arrived with a key to the residence, which was checked inside. It was determined no crime had been committed and the reason for the opened drawers was the house had just been fumigated. The 2nd story balcony door was locked and all the units cleared without incident.

February 02 3:14PM – Patrol received a report from a passerby who reported a black Ford vehicle disabled in a ditch at Via Huerto and Via Bendita. Patrol received a call from a Ranch Resident who reported his family member had veered off the road and the Ford was currently being towed away. Patrol responded and spoke to the Resident about the accident. Patrol noted some trees were impacted prior to the vehicle coming to rest in the ditch. Patrol learned the driver of the Ford was driven by private vehicle to the hospital for a possible sprained or broken wrist.

February 03 9:36AM – While patrolling the 1400-blk. of Las Palmas, patrol noticed 3 vehicles parked on the northbound shoulder of Las Palmas along the S-curves between Las Olas and Llano. Patrol noted a black VW had front/front-right corner damage. Patrol stopped and learned the 16-year-old non-Ranch Resident had collided with the dirt/mud embankment along the northbound shoulder just south of the VW's current location. The driver did not have any injuries, and the airbag did not deploy. The VW sustained bumper damage and a cracked front-passenger side wheel. The driver's father arrived at the scene and a CHP report was declined, saying he will seek a CHP report on his own. The driver of the VW said that a vehicle driving in the opposite direction had crossed over into his lane a little. The VW's tire was changed and the VW was driven away from the scene.

February 06 10:12AM – While conducting a vacation check on Via Tranquila, patrol found an unlocked rear sliding glass door to the residence. Patrol noted the residence had the alarm off. Patrol notified the Resident of the unlocked door and he advised he would be back later that afternoon. NOTE: Check and lock all your doors and windows before you leave on vacation, thank you.

February 09 3:23PM – Patrol received a report from a Resident who reported a homeless person on the dirt road near the Vieja Dr. fire gate. Patrol responded and checked the area. Patrol was not able to locate the person, and no additional sightings were reported.

February 11 10:18AM – While conducting a vacation check on Via Fruteria, patrol found a rear door to the residence unlocked. Patrol contacted the Resident who said he had been having issues locking the door and it could remain as-is. Patrol assisted the Resident by relocating a package from the top of the mailbox to the front door.

February 12 12:55PM – While conducting a vacation check on Via Tranquila, patrol found an unlocked rear door leading into the residence. Patrol contacted the Resident who said the door has been having issues locking and the alarm was not set due to it needing servicing. Patrol discussed security measures with the Resident who took some corrective action to better secure the residence. Patrol conducted extra patrols of the residence.

February 12 1:13/1:20/2:45PM – While patrolling the Ranch, patrol found 3 separate construction violations at properties that did not obtain prior Saturday work authorization from the HR Bldg. Dept. Patrol contacted the workers about the construction violations on the 800-blk. of Via Hierba at 1:13pm, the 4100-blk. of Lago Dr. at 1:20pm, and the 4600-blk. of Via Roblada at 2:. The work crews were cooperative, and the work was stopped. Note: As a reminder, construction hours in the Ranch are Mon-Fri. 8am-5pm, Saturdays with prior authorization from the HR Bldg. Dept., no work on Sunday. No work on specific holidays. Ref. to the HR Bldg. Guidelines for more details, thank you.

February 20 10:49AM – While monitoring traffic from Las Palmas Dr., patrol noticed an AMR ambulance responding, “Code 3” (Lights and siren), southbound into the Ranch on Las Palmas. Patrol learned AMR was responding to a vehicle accident call on Paloma. Patrol checked the area, and AMR advised the location of the accident was the tennis courts. A search for the accident was conducted but ultimately, no accident was found and units cleared from the scene. A total of 2 AMR ambulances and an SB County Fire Department engine responded to the call.

February 20 7:11PM – Patrol learned of a medical emergency call at a residence on Laguna Blanca Dr. On scene was an SB County Fire Department engine and an AMR ambulance. Patrol provided traffic control and monitored the scene.

February 23 3:48PM – While patrolling Roble Dr. at Marina Dr., patrol noticed a red and white Kawasaki Ninja motorcycle that had been involved in an accident. Patrol advised SB Sheriff’s dispatch and provided traffic control for CHP that responded to the scene. Patrol learned the rider was in his late sixties and had gone down when he suddenly lost traction, causing him to lose control and lay the Kawasaki down on its side, then skidding a few feet before coming to a stop on the dirt shoulder of the opposite side of the road. The rider was shaken but unharmed. The Kawasaki sustained some minor damage but was functional. The rider refused medical aid from AMR ambulance emergency medical personnel and ultimately left riding on the Kawasaki. CHP investigated the collision. CHP, 1 AMR ambulance and 1 SB County Fire Department engine responded to the scene.

February 25 3:47PM – Patrol received several reports from a Resident who reported a homeless male in the restroom area at HR beach. Patrol responded and the male was nowhere to be found. Patrol continued patrolling and another report was received that the male had come back. Patrol checked and located a male with hiking gear in picnic area #3. Patrol advised the male it was private property and that he had to leave, which he did without incident. The male left the Ranch, northbound on Las Palmas Dr.

February 26 8:01PM – Patrol received a Report from a Ranch employee who noticed a broken-down vehicle on Las Olas with a female driver. Patrol responded and located an unoccupied silver Mercedes Benz (M-B) SUV with 2 flat passenger side tires. Patrol checked the area and the driver was not located. Patrol was advised by a passerby that earlier; the female driver had the M-B stuck in a ditch on Las Palmas and Via Cayente and the female drove away on two flat tires to Las Olas where she left the M-B partially blocking the roadway. The passerby reported 2 little kids in the M-B with the female driver. Patrol called CHP who investigated the accident as a possible Hit & Run and towed the M-B from the scene. Update: The following day the driver, a non-Ranch Resident, of the M-B called patrol to report she had been visiting in the Ranch, blew a tire and wanted to make sure her M-B was not towed. Patrol referred the female to CHP who was handling the investigation.

February 28 10:48PM – Patrol received a report from an employee working in the Ranch who reported a homeless female on the 1100-blk. of Las Palmas Dr. by the trail

entrance. Patrol responded and made a casual car-to-bike contact with a female with an orange bike who was going against traffic along Las Palmas Dr. The female was carrying various bags and was looking for the Dollar Tree store in Goleta. Patrol provided directions to the female who was going in the wrong direction. Patrol monitored the female's progress along Via Tranquila, and she was last seen riding her bike out to Nogal from Via Tranquila.

March 3 7:05PM – While patrolling Las Palmas and Via Cayente, patrol noticed a vehicle accident involving a black Chevy Camaro that had collided with the island planter at the mentioned intersection. Patrol noticed the Chevy had driven over the island planter rocks and plants as it lost control into the corner of the intersection. CHP responded to the scene and conducted a DUI investigation on the driver, a 23-year-old non-Ranch male from Santa Barbara. Results were negative for drugs or alcohol, no DUI. The Chevy was towed from the scene with a flatbed truck.

March 3 7:47AM – While conducting a property check of a residence on Creciente Dr., patrol found an unlocked door leading into the residence. Patrol contacted a family member related to the Resident who advised a caretaker was aware of the unlocked door. Patrol closed the front gates on the way out and cleared without incident.

March 4 7:24AM – While monitoring the SB Sheriff's frequency, patrol heard the Fire Department responding to lines down on Vieja Dr. and Nogal. Patrol responded and noticed an engine crew with the SB County Fire Department taping (with pink tape strands) a Frontier communication line, which was partially down and obstructing the westbound traffic lane on Vieja Dr. Patrol deployed a barricade and orange safety cones for additional awareness to motorists as the eastbound lane remained open for traffic. Later in the day, Frontier repaired the line, and the westbound lane was opened to traffic.

March 6 2:30PM – While conducting a vacation check on Cantera Ave., patrol found an unlocked rear door with direct access into the residence. Patrol contacted the Resident who would have her daughter lock up the door later in the day.

March 7 9:16AM – Patrol received a report from a Resident on Las Palmas Dr. who reported 2 separate incidents of package thefts. The Resident advised that 1 package had been stolen some time back and 2 packages were stolen the day prior between 2pm and 4pm. Patrol discussed security measures and emailed the Resident a previously published safety tip to better protect packages from porch pirates. The Resident was provided with the SB Sheriff's online reporting link to report the thefts. Update: On March 13th, the Resident advised patrol that 2 of the 3 reported stolen packages had not been stolen as they had been misdelivered and found sitting on the neighbor's driveway.

March 12 4:13PM – Patrol received 3 separate calls from callers reporting a vehicle accident involving a single vehicle on Las Palmas Dr. between Las Olas and Llano Ave. Patrol responded and learned that a gray Toyota sedan with a solo occupant (driver)

appeared to have failed to negotiate the turn and collided with the hill side. The driver advised he did not sustain any injuries. No signs of intoxication were observed, and no property damage was noted. The Toyota sustained some cosmetic damage to the front and rear ends but was still drivable. The driver left driving in the Toyota.

March 13 7:31AM – Patrol received a report from a Ranch employee who reported a tree down and blocking on Via Tranquila. Patrol responded and placed safety cones to warn motorists of the downed tree partially blocking the southbound lane. The Ranch maintenance crew responded and cleared the tree without incident and the lane was opened.

March 13 9:15AM – Patrol received a report from an alarm company and from the Resident who reported an alarm activation at their residence on Via Tranquila, which had an active vacation check form on file with patrol. Patrol responded and found several unlocked doors to the residence, with no signs of forced entry. Patrol assisted with securing the home and the Resident reset the alarm. On the recommendation of patrol, the Resident had the doors checked, making them easier to lock.

March 13 1:07PM – Patrol received a request from the SB Sheriffs who requested assistance with an alarm activation on Lago Dr. Patrol responded and was first on scene. Patrol advised Sheriff's dispatch of a service worker and a company vehicle on scene. Patrol learned from the worker that he had set off the alarm to the home, while working. A Sheriff's Sergeant arrived, and it was then discovered that the worker had entered the home through an unlocked door without permission in search of a restroom but exited out when the alarm went off. Patrol contacted the Resident via cell phone, who spoke to the Sergeant at the scene. The Resident confirmed the work was authorized but advised the worker did not have permission to enter the residence without permission.

March 14 5:04PM – Patrol received several calls from callers reporting a vehicle accident along the S-curves on Las Palmas Dr. between Las Olas and Llano Ave. Both patrol units responded and found a single occupant (driver), a non-Ranch adult male, had self-extricated out of a blue Ford Mustang convertible that had gone off the roadway and approximately 25 feet down to the bottom of the creek along the southbound shoulder of Las Palmas Dr. The driver said he was okay and was not injured. Patrol conducted traffic control and contacted CHP who responded and investigated the collision. Las Palmas was closed, and the Ford was towed from the scene. Las Palmas was reopened at 7:30pm. It appeared the driver of the Ford had been traveling southbound on Las Palmas between Las Olas and Llano Ave. prior to the collision.

March 18 12:37PM – While patrolling the 4100-blk. of Marina Dr., patrol noticed a male with a bike attached to a long makeshift cart/trailer (had orange color on it) and a dog on the westbound lane of Marina Dr. Patrol made a casual car-to-bike contact with the male to see if he needed assistance. The male was riding through the Ranch and mentioned he had traveled across other states in the US and was making his way up to

a northern state. Patrol provided directions through the Ranch along the county road and monitored the progress during the shift. Patrol noticed the male would take breaks along the way and eventually made it out of the Ranch. Update: Several days later, during the dark hours, an off-duty patrol staff member noticed the bike and the long metal cart/trailer stationary on the side of the highway along the northbound side of the 101 freeway between Goleta and Gaviota.

March 22 3:15PM – While conducting a vacation check on a residence on the east end of the Ranch, patrol found an unlocked bedroom sliding glass door. Patrol noted the alarm was not set. Patrol left a voice message and texted the Residents about their unlocked house.

March 24 10:03AM – Patrol received a report from a Resident on Via Huerto who reported 2 packages stolen from the front gates of her residence. The Resident said one package was stolen on March 12th as the carrier provided her with a delivery picture and the date of the 2nd stolen package was unknown. Some of the stolen items were women's shoes and sneakers. The Resident checked with neighbors in case the packages were misdelivered, but that was not the case. Patrol suggested leaving a note for the carriers requesting packages not be left outside and adding cameras. Update: During an extra patrol of the residence, patrol noticed an unattended package at the front gate of the residence, which Patrol relocated onto the property.

March 24 3:16PM – Patrol received a report from a Resident who reported 2 homeless individuals walking into the Ranch on Marina Dr. Patrol responded and made a casual car-to-ped contact with the individuals pushing shopping carts and with a pit bull dog. The individuals said they arrived in Santa Barbara from Blyth on the train and were heading north to the Oregon area. Patrol provided directions and provided traffic control when it was necessary. Both individuals eventually exited out of the Ranch without incident.

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Frank's safety tip of the Month

With summer vacation just around the corner, this is a great time to remind Residents of the Vacation Form you can fill out when you leave on that sunny summer vacation. As you noticed from the patrol newsletter, patrol found many unlocked residences, some with the alarms off. Residents, please continue to fill out and submit your vacation forms but remember to lock doors and windows before leaving. A good idea would be to walk around the exterior of your residence and check the doors and windows from the outside. One other important thing, on the form there is a section to provide your gate code – Please provide the gate code to patrol so access can be made onto your property so we can check it. Without the code, we may not be able to access your property to check it properly. Below is some other vacation information.

- Currently patrol only has 6 active vacation forms on file. We would like to see more.

- You can also use the vacation form for a construction site, if your house is vacant (For sale, etc.), or if our house is being tented (Fumigated). Note: A Resident recently filled out a form for her house being tented and advised that the fumigation co. had her sign an acknowledgment that they were not responsible for any theft during the tenting. Just something to consider.

How do you get a blank vacation form?

- The HR HOA website
- Patrol can deliver you a form, text you a PDF copy, email it to you, or drop it off in your mailbox or in person.
- You can pick up a blank copy at the HR office.

Once you fill out our form, you can.

- Email it to – Hrpatrol@hoperanch.org
- Drop it off at the HR office
- Patrol can pick it up from you in person
- You can text a picture of it to the patrol direct cell phone at 805-800-9002



Hope Ranch Beach February 2025
courtesy of Jill Van Zeebroeck