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Soup to Nuts

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The Return of Lunches

After a lengthy hiatus due to Covid, The Carmel Foundation has finally brought back its low-cost lunches for members aged 55 and older, and is making use of new outdoor space gussied up with grant money from Carmel Gives.

“We are thrilled to have our members back enjoying good food and good company,” said the nonprofit’s president and CEO, Holly Zoller. “I also wanted to mention the expanded patio and courtyard areas that offer additional outdoor seating—and which are very popular and used daily, even when it is chilly outside.”

The organization serves lunch to members Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 1 p.m., with no reservations required. Known for its “homemade comfort food at affordable prices,” the foundation offers a daily entrée, salads, soups and desserts.

For those who remain cautious and concerned about transmission of coronavirus, the non profit is continuing its curbside meal program, with pickup available Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11 to 11:45 a.m. Pre-ordering is required and can be done online at carmelfoundation.org or through member services at (831) 624-1588.

Membership in The Carmel Foundation is open to people age 55 and older in the Monterey County area and beyond. The organization provides numerous services, including low-cost housing and meals, classes and activities, field trips, lectures, medical equipment loans and other benefits.