A Message From the President

Engaging Community



Cynthia McCoy CPLF President

For the past four years I have served as a Board Director and on various committees in support of the Carmel Public Library Foundation. This year I have the honor of stepping into the role of President of this outstanding organization, and I am so thrilled and grateful for this opportunity to serve our community.

Last year, with your support we

were able to provide exciting and thoughtprovoking programs and services through the library as well as the foundation. We partnered with the National Steinbeck Center and hosted acclaimed author, Tobias Wolff at one of our Community Night with the Library programs, we went Fogcatching, studied the mysterious Scheherazade, had an evening's conversation with Ernest Hemingway author, Michael Katakis, revisited Father



Discovering Carmel together

Serra's Canonization, showed our first film, *California Typewriter* and ended the year with Pulitzer Prize-winning author and journalist Thomas Friedman to a sold-out Sunset Center! In addition to all of that, we unveiled our new Park Branch lobby's welcoming new look. We also worked closely with our Library Director to develop the only free meeting space in Carmel, which will be located at the Harrison Memorial Library and is made possible by the foundation and the generosity of long-time resident and life-long Harrison Memorial Library patron, Lacy Williams Buck.

Our library continues to stay open, relevant and thriving because of you. Our focus is on ensuring free library service to everyone and in perpetuity, for generations to come. Thank you for allowing me to serve and to help guide such a profound and impactful mission.

—Cynthia McCoy



Carmel Public Library Foundation's selection for this year's Distinguished Agency Honoree is Ben Heinrich, two-time CPLF President and Treasurer. Ben Heinrich's leadership style is poetry in motion, literally.

He began board meetings as President with a poem recital. How apropos, and indicative of his grasp of the nuances that promote connectivity and commitment. His inspiration and generous support has significantly advanced our mission. *Thank you, Ben!*

The public library is where place and possibility meet.

—Stuart Dybek

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CARMEL PUBLIC LIBRARY 2018-19 **By The Numbers**



New Season – New Opportunities

Alexandra Fallon, Executive Director

Fall is in the air, or as we used to say back east "It's sweater weather." When the weather

changes we shift our wardrobes, our food choices, and especially our mindset. We go deeper into what will nourish us because after all it is time to take stock and do away with the frivolity of summer. So when you find yourself wanting to hunker down with a good book, please consider our **Community Read** selection, *Palaces for the People*, by Eric Klinenberg and/or our librarian's suggestions listed on the back of this newsletter.



Also, this fall, Carmel Public Library Foundation and the Carmel Public Library are launching a new program, **Fireside Chats at the Library**: A thought-provoking topical series

developed to engage our community through lively conversation on an array of subjects, facilitated by an expert speaker and to be held at the beautiful, historic Harrison Memorial Library in Carmel. The first "chat" will be: *Navigating Democracy in the Era of Big Data & Deep Fakes*, led by Dr. Andrew Drummond, about how vast stores of data and their use in information framing and audience targeting may be presenting core challenges to democratic principles and civic culture. For more information please visit www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org.

And don't forget to peruse this year's **Community Night with the Library** programs. We have a broad range of topics including the Henry Meade Local History Lecture Series featuring a talk about acclaimed poet Robinson Jeffers as well as a program focused on the history of the Theater of the Golden Bough. We hope that you find several programs that resonate with you and encourage your attendance.

We are very grateful for your support and look forward to seeing you at the library and in our village-by-the-sea.

88,607
Visitors
to the Library

10,131
Active
Cardholders

104,456 Items checked out (print, media, audio) **37,141** Uses of our e-Resources

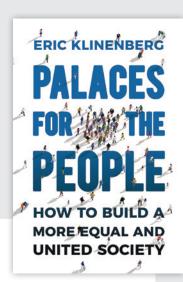
26,261
Inquiries made to Library Staff

Uses of our computers and wifi

4,572People attended a program or event

907
People Like or Follow us on Social Media





The Community Read!

Palaces for the People by Eric Klinenberg October – December 2019



A Community Read is a book club for the entire region, cultivating a culture of reading and discussion by bringing people together around interesting and meaningful works of literature.

The book can be read in conjunction with a book club, or as an individual.

Last fall, members of the City's Community Activities Commission and our library director read Eric Klinenberg's book *Palaces for the People: How Social Infrastructure Can Help Fight Inequality, Polarization, and the Decline of Civic Life*. In it, Klinenberg makes a case for the importance of investing in our social infrastructure such as parks and community centers, just as we do for streets, sidewalks, and public buildings. As libraries were cited as a place that provided this social infrastructure we thought it would make a great community read as we all contemplate our environment and how it relates to our health and well-being.

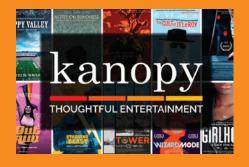
Join us in a Community Read of Mr. Klinenberg's book. Check out your copy of the book at the library or you can purchase it at Pilgrim's Way (special book club pricing), and join the Carmel Public Library Foundation Book Club and on December 11, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Harrison Memorial Library to discuss the future of social capital in our village.

Learn more at www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org/book-club/

Get the book!

Consider joining a book club.

Engage with others and foster change.



Did you know?

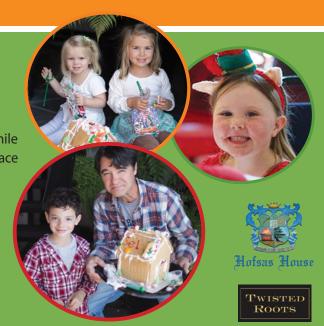
Kanopy is an award-winning video streaming service providing access to more than 30,000 independent and documentary film, titles of unique social and cultural value from The Criterion Collection, The Great Courses, Media Education Foundation, and thousands of independent filmmakers. Please ask your librarian for details.

8th Annual Gingerbread House Fundraiser

Celebrate the holidays with a fun Gingerbread House family activity while supporting the Carmel Public Library. There are two sessions taking place this year on Saturday, Dec 7, 2019, at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm at Hofsas House, between 3rd and 4th on San Carlos in Carmel.

This is one of the best holiday celebrations on the Peninsula and we are so fortunate to have the support of this partnership and that of our community.

Limited reservations available. Call (831) 624-2745 or email Carrie@HofasHouse.com.



Welcome NEW BOARD DIRECTORS



Andrew Drummond, Ph.D.

is the Associate Dean for the College of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences at California State University of Monterey Bay. He is committed to building the knowledge and strengthening skills that prove critical to a positive and collaborative transformation of our communities locally and globally.

A Political Scientist by training, he has taught widely in the realm of comparative politics, the European Union, comparative western democracies, and democratic theory. His scholarship centers on the impact of electoral design on party system formation and the formation and expression of ideological bias.

Andrew holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of California, Irvine, where he was a fellow at the Center for the Study of Democracy. He and his family moved to Carmel Valley in 2016 after a decade in Arkansas helping to improve access to public higher education among the underserved.



Shanna Harper Fineberg

is a Texas native, has worked in tech sales, leading national accounts in multiple industries. She is currently involved in design and real estate development. Shanna's community service includes board membership in educational institutions

in both operational and fundraising capacities. She has also been a member of the Head Search Committee on the Parent Advisory Board for All Saints Day School. She enjoys the role of advocate, as well as assisting with direction and efficiencies. Shanna has an 8 year old son and also volunteers as Room Parent at All Saints Day School. She is excited about making a valuable difference in the community through the library foundation.



Susan Galvin has spent her life in Florida, San Francisco, and for the past 15 years in Carmel, where she has raised her children and established the successful Foxy Couture Carmel luxury clothing boutique in the heart of the village. She currently serves on the Community Foundation's Women's Fund Leadership Committee, has served

on the Youth Arts Collective (YAC) board, and is a strong supporter of Harmony at Home, the SPCA, and Girl's Inc., as well as other local charitable organizations.



MC(GIVES!

Joining Together for Big Ideas

This year Our Big Idea for the Monterey County Gives! Campaign (Nov. 7- Dec.31) is:

TurningOutward

The Carmel Public Library is engaged in turning outward, using our community as a reference point for creating impactful changes that respond to our communities' needs and desires. A cross-section of community stakeholders from teenagers to civic groups are engaged in a vetted approach through Harwood Institute that involves conversations leading to potential collaboration, new possibilities and discovery. The library, a trusted community resource can turn outward, highlight its findings post-conversation in a public knowledge report and help elicit more intentional choices to produce greater impact and relevance in our community.

Sterling Circle

An invitation to join our Library Legacy Donors

The Sterling Circle Program is the cornerstone of the foundation's future funding capabilities, and recognizes planned giving donors who have included the Carmel Public Library Foundation in their estate plans and wills. Sterling Circle Donors play a key role in ensuring the library's place in the community – open and free – for generations to come.

Learn more at www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org or contact Alexandra Fallon at (831) 624-2811.

Thank you for your support.

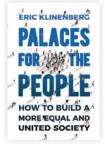


Community Programs and Events with the Library 2019-2020 Please note, dates may change and events may be added.



September 25, 2019 Innovation in the Deep Sea

7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel A lecture with Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute President and CEO Chris Scholin.



October — December 2019 COMMUNITY READ: Palaces for the People

Join in reading **Eric Klinenberg's**, *Palaces for the People*, a compelling book that illustrates new ways to view our relationship between people and places, and the benefits of social infrastructure. For more details see www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org.



October 16, 2019 NEW at CPLF! Navigating Democracy

in the Era of Big Data & Deep Fakes 6:30pm, Carmel Public Library, corner of Ocean

Ave. and Lincoln, Carmel with **Andrew Drummond, PhD.**, CSUMB's Associate Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Space is limited. **Registration required:** visit www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org.



October 23, 2019

Henry Meade Williams Local History Lecture Series – Sponsored by the Frank & Eva Buck Foundation and Robert & Lacy Buck "Our Inevitable Place": Robinson and Una Jeffers and Their Life on Carmel Point

7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, CarmelJoin Professor Emeritus at Monterey Peninsula College, **Elliot Rushowitz-Roberts** for a talk on Robinson and Una Jeffers, and how their life at Carmel Point informed the poet's work.



October 26, 2019 Halloween Parade

Join us at 11am / Carmel-by-the-Sea Celebrate the City of Carmel's birthday! Tricks and treats and library goodies.



November 6, 2019 Cognitive Reserve: Maintaining Cognitive Function into Late Adulthood

7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel Dr. Quinn Kennedy will show you strategies for staving off age-related declines in cognitive function.



December 4, 2019

The Russian Job: The Forgotten Story of How America Saved the Soviet Union from Ruin

7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel With acclaimed author and historian **Doug Smith**.



December 7, 20198th Gingerbread Making Fundraiser

Hofsas House, btw 3rd and 4th on San Carlos in Carmel For reservations: 831-624-2745

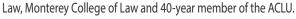


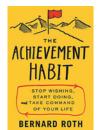
Fireside

at the Library

January 8, 2020 Freedom of Speech: The Constitution in Conflict

7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel A lecture by **Michelle Welsh**, Professor of Constitutional





January 15, 2020 Design Thinking: The Achievement Habit

7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel A lecture by **Dr. Bernie Roth**, Stanford University Academic Director, co-founder of the Stanford d.School, and author of The Achievement Habit.



March 8, 2020 Donor Salute

3 to 5 pm, Harrison Memorial Library



March 11, 2020

Henry Meade Williams Local History Lecture Series – Sponsored by the Frank & Eva Buck Foundation and Robert & Lacy Buck

The Theatre of the Golden Bough in the Golden Era 7pm / Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, Carmel

A talk by Marcia Kuster Rider on the history of Carmel's historic playhouse.



March 16, 2020 Stanford's Challenge Success: A Well-Balanced Perspective on College Fit

6:30pm / Carmel Performing Arts Center at Carmel High School Parent & Teacher Lecture Series hosted by CUSD & CPLF

May 12, 2020 CPLF Fundraiser at Sunset Center

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Librarian Picks

Here's four:

Big Sky, by Kate Atkinson, the newest of the wonderful Jackson Brodie mysteries.

Talking to Strangers, by Malcolm Gladwell. Gladwell is always a fascinating read, full of stimulating ideas.

The Overstory, by Richard Powers. Last year's Booker Prize winner.

Because Internet: Understanding the New Rules of Language. A quirky language book, and a staff favorite.



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