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**Book Club CONNECTION**

Carmel Public Library Foundation wants to connect with book clubs, as well as other avid readers. We are planning a new public program called **The Book Club Connection**. It will be open to book club members and all readers who enjoy literary presentations and discussions. Amy Waldman, author of the acclaimed new novel, *The Submission*, has accepted an invitation to speak at our first event. She's planning a visit sometime this fall, so add her novel to your reading list now. We will be finalizing plans for her visit soon.

Connect your book club with the library! Call us at (831) 624-2811. We’ll keep you informed of plans, dates and future events.

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*An Evening with Rick Reilly*

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A Message
From the President

It is a pleasure to highlight the successful role of the Carmel Public Library at a time when public libraries are challenged to provide relevant services for their patrons. We believe there is a strong connection between our library’s responsibilities and Carmel’s unique cultural character.

The library is at the heart and center of town - a wonderful place to enjoy intellectual pursuits in a hospitable environment.

Today’s library usage is higher than ever. Our mission continues to focus on community needs and to remember that services reflect the desires of donors and taxpayers. The collections at Harrison Memorial Library and the Park Branch offer a broad spectrum of books, audio visual materials, reference collections, and technological advancements – all managed by superb librarians. Public programs feature art and literary speakers, local historians, and parent educators.

Excellent measures of success are community opinion, engagement and support. We are proud to report the significant investment of library supporters demonstrated by their generous contributions. These individuals hold library services and their value to the life of Carmel in high regard.

We are grateful for this support and are proud to serve an enlightened community. Carmel Public Library Foundation is committed to being good stewards of your thoughtfulness and generosity. Thank you for your loyal participation in this shared vision.

—LESLIE SNORF

Today’s libraries are reinventing themselves as vibrant town squares, showcasing the latest best sellers, lending eReaders loaded with eBooks, and offering grass-roots technology training centers. —NEW YORK TIMES, DEC 27, 2012

—ASHLEE WRIGHT, LOCAL HISTORY LIBRARIAN & ARCHIVIST

Local History
Built in 1921, the Charles & Helen Van-Riper house plays a special role in Carmel’s history. Perhaps you have walked by the home on a trip to the beach without reading the brass plaque mounted on the fence. It’s worth a closer look. The story is a charming testament to Carmel’s village character.

The original owner, Charles Van-Riper, founded the first softball league in the western United States dubbed the Abalone League. Games were played on Carmel Point right below the historic home. This was, of course, before many of the houses in the area were built. You may know of someone, who knew someone, who played on the team!

The current owners who wish to remain anonymous, created the plaque to pay tribute to the home’s history, using information and historic photographs acquired from the library’s local history archives.

Want to learn about other historic homes in Carmel? Visit us at the Local History Library!

—ASHLEE WRIGHT, LOCAL HISTORY LIBRARIAN & ARCHIVIST

Donor News
The IRA Charitable Rollover has been reinstated. This provision makes it possible for donors ages 70.5 and older to make tax-free charitable gifts directly from a traditional IRA to an eligible charitable organization like the Carmel Public Library Foundation. The provision has a cap of $100,000. Individuals may exclude the amount distributed directly to an eligible charity from their gross income. This provision is still time-limited and applies to qualified charitable distributions made before January 1, 2014.
Making eBooks Feel at Home

Technology is constantly evolving. Are you having a difficult time keeping up the changes? Many library patrons still feel more comfortable reading ink-on-paper books than eBooks. They learned to read with a book in hand, and they first encountered libraries with books. But eBooks can be a fun way to access reading material and Carmel Public Library is making the transition easier.

What is an eReader?

An eReader is an electronic device, such as the Barnes & Noble Nook® or the Amazon Kindle®, designed for reading digital books. Each one of the library’s NOOK® eReaders, available now for circulation, hold a number of eBooks already downloaded and sorted by genre. Large-print book readers will love the feature that adjusts font size to suit their needs. They are wireless, portable and easy to use.

Why are we circulating eReaders?

We are making eReaders available to cardholders for several reasons:

1) to give our patrons a chance to try eReaders and to become familiar with the technology.

2) to provide electronic access to popular and educational titles.

3) to encourage readers to give feedback to the Library about their eReader experiences and title preferences.

Who financed the eReaders?

Thanks to the generosity of donors and friends Jeanne and Bill Landreth, Carmel Public Library now has some 10 Nooks available for circulation. Because this is a pilot project, your feedback will help us build the collection and make enhancements to the electronic collections that best serve our library patrons. Please complete the survey when you check-out an eReader.

Need help with an eReader you already own at home?

For library patrons who have an eReader of their own, the library offers a vast collection of downloadable eBooks and audiobooks designed for a variety of reading devices. Having trouble navigating the technology? Stop by the Main Library and get help downloading to your Kindle, Nook, iPad, iPod, smartphone, or other device.

Drop in workshops are held on the first Saturday of each month. Patrons get one-on-one assistance, and a librarian walks you through all the steps. You may also call to schedule an appointment at (831) 624-7323.
columnist for *Sports Illustrated* for many years. His column, “The Life of Reilly”, was featured on the back page of both *Sports Illustrated* and later, *ESPN The Magazine*. He was awarded the National Sports Writer of the Year eleven times!

As an essayist, Rick Reilly delivers his essays through his columns as well as live broadcasts from sporting events such as Wimbledon, the British Open, and the U.S. Open.

It is difficult to ascertain whether Rick is better known as a columnist, essayist, or novelist. He is the author of six books: *Slo Mo!*, a fictional diary of a naïve kid entering the NBA; *Missing Links*, a novel about a group of golfers and their escapades; *Shanks for Nothing*, a sequel to *Missing Links*; *The Life of Reilly*, an anthology; *Hate Mail from Cheerleaders and Other Adventures from the Life of Reilly*, an anthology; and *Who’s Your Caddy?*, a collection of stories about Reilly caddying for remarkable and diverse people. In addition, he has co-authored four books: *The Boz*, with Brian Bosworth; *I’d Love to But I Have a Game*, with Marv Albert; *The Wit and Wisdom of Charles Barkley*, with Charles Barkley; and *Gretzky*, with Wayne Gretzky.

Though the *New York Daily News* has dubbed Rick Reilly as “one of the funniest humans on the planet”, he also has a very serious side. It is well-known that he really isn’t writing about sports, rather the people who play the sports, their lives, and human spirit. In 2006, Reilly wrote a column about providing anti-malaria nets to African children at the cost of ten dollars each. The response was so successful, his “Nothing But Nets” foundation was created in partnership with the United Nations Foundation. To date, over 32 million dollars has been raised to hang mosquito nets over children’s beds in Africa. Ever the philanthropist, Rick Reilly has generously agreed to waive his speaking fee in order to support the Carmel Public Library Foundation.

Another generous gesture of support of the CPLF is from Santa Barbara Bank & Trust/Union Bank who has agreed to be our presenting sponsor for this event. Having this support has made the evening sure to be an even bigger success. The ticket price for the event is $55 per person including the wine tasting and available at the Sunset Center Box Office. There is a surcharge for phone or online purchases.

The evening will kick off with a wine tasting in the foyer of the Sunset Center at 6 pm on Thursday, May 9, 2013. Rick will deliver his presentation at 7 pm. After the presentation, event sponsors will join Rick and his wife, Cynthia, for dinner at L’Escargot. If you or anyone you know may be interested in attending the dinner by becoming a sponsor, please contact Amy Donohue at (831) 624-2811.

—CHERYL CARTER, EVENT CHAIR
2012-2013 Local History Lecture Series

Lectures are free and open to the public.
Events are held at Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center, 9th & Mission, Carmel.
Attendance is limited to 150 people and these events are incredibly popular so please plan to arrive early to secure your seating.

Tuesday, January 19
GEORGE SOMERO
BIG SUR LAND TRUST: Preserving the Carmel River & the Gateway to Big Sur

Tuesday, February 12
MEG CLOVIS
SALINAS VALLEY: A History of America’s Salad Bowl (1770 to twenty-first century)

Tuesday, March 19
SOARING STARKEY
POST RANCH FAMILY: One of Central California’s First Homesteading Families

Tuesday, April 30
MAGNUS TOREN
HENRY MILLER: Writer, Artist and Iconic Resident of Big Sur

Tuesday, May 14
DAVID GORDON
DENE DENNY & HAZEL WILLIAMS: Early Carmelite Bohemians and Founders of Bach Festival

The Henry Meade Local History Room serves as the archives for the City of Carmel. It is located in the Library’s Park Branch on the corner of 6th & Mission.
For more information, call Local History Librarian/Archivist Ashlee Wright at (831) 624-1615.

The Local History Lecture Series is funded by the Frank and Eva Buck Foundation and Robert and Lacy Buck.
What’s a Graphic Novel?

Looking for your next good read? The library’s collection of graphic novels has grown due to patron popularity. Graphic novels integrate images and text to tell a different kind of story than would be possible with only a single medium. They are a whole new way to read. If you liked comic books, Edward Gorey, or just appreciate a good story told in a visually interesting way, try a graphic novel.

Library Travel Guide Collection

Have you checked out the library’s top-notch travel collection? It’s extensive and constantly being updated. The travel guidebooks, language tapes and adventure travelogues are some of the newest and best available. So if you are planning a trip with families or friends make the library your first stop, and please feel free to share your suggestions for items not included in the collection!

Inter-Library Loan Services

Are you seeking access to a book or materials from another library? The interlibrary loan service is the process we use to request materials from, or to supply materials to, other libraries. The purpose of interlibrary loan is to obtain materials patrons want but are not available in our collection. This is a fabulous resource! Please see a librarian for more information. (Minimal fees for service required.)

Foreign Languages Online Learning Resources

The library has two great online language learning resources for students and travelers. MANGO online language tools include programs to help students of all ages learn practical conversation skills for the world’s most popular languages. POWERSPEAK, another language database, incorporates immersion activities and teaching methods that expose users to the culture surrounding language instruction. With convenient remote access, these resources are fun and budget-conscious ways to learn new languages.

Outreach and Other Community Services

Did you know the library delivers materials to homebound individuals living in Carmel-by-the-Sea and the surrounding area? Call the Outreach Coordinator to get books, audio books, DVDs and reference information delivered right to your door. The library also offers assistance in completing application forms for the California State Library Blind and Physically Handicapped Program. Call us at (831) 624-4629 to arrange for these services.
How the Library Contributes to Carmel’s Village Character

Patron interviews by Tom Parks

Many of those of us who live in Carmel stroll Ocean Avenue, not unlike the countless visitors who come to this village for its beach, forest, clean air, shopping, dining and just plain charm. There is a landmark building here on Lincoln and Ocean which is impossible to pass without an appreciation of its architectural beauty: Harrison Memorial Library, designed by Bernard Maybeck in 1927. We “locals” know all about our library.

So here’s a question we asked a few library patrons, involved citizens and long-time supporters of the community: **HOW DOES THE LIBRARY CONTRIBUTE TO CARMEL’S SINGULAR CHARACTER?** How is it uniquely connected to the life, the culture and the people of this beautiful village?

**For some 107 years, patrons have availed themselves of library services. —RICHARD FLOWER**

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**Patricia McClaran**, longtime patron

The entrance to the Carmel Library, through the garden and up the steps is a lovely prologue to what is to come. The main reading room with the fireplace and long tables invites one to sit, work and read for pleasure in such a tranquil setting.

**Linda Anderson**, Carmel activist, library patron and sponsor

What is the meaning of Carmel? If its outer essence is the towering forest and white sand beach, its core, the soul of this village, rests at the library. A repository of art and history, our library is a great gathering place for all. When I moved to Carmel four decades ago, the first place I took my two teenagers was to the children’s library where they enrolled in the summer reading program, met other young people and were awarded beautiful sea shells for each book they read. All these years later the library is still central to my life. I’m a fan of good mystery. Reading and learning are among life’s greatest pleasures.

**Peter Mollman**, Past President of the Carmel Public Library Foundation

Coming to Carmel almost twenty years ago, one of my first official acts was getting my library card. Since that first acquaintance, my love affair with our library has blossomed and grown, enriching my life as I know it has for many other people taking up residence in Carmel. It has served our community, and us, well for many decades, and it continues to successfully meet and adapt to the challenges of the electronic age. It will certainly continue to serve and enhance in the decades to come. A literary, cultural jewel.

**Richard Flower**, civic activist and newly appointed Trustee of Harrison Library

Carmel is a community of fortunate citizens. Harrison Library is an incredibly successful experiment in a public private partnership. Close cooperation among the City, the Board of Trustees, and the Carmel Public Library Foundation enables a wealth of services to residents. For some 107 years, patrons have availed themselves of library services. The Harrison Library is a prominent hallmark of their good fortune.

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So then, we can clearly see the connection. Our library, the connection to the people of this village and larger community. It is the place to go. The place to discover. The place to find answers. The place to learn. The place to be welcomed. A place like no other place in this village. It is our library.
The Foundation’s Mission
is to provide vital funds for
Harrison Memorial Library
that will ensure free library
service in perpetuity.
Every book, CD, DVD,
all of the services, resources,
equipment, and programs are
funded by charitable dollars!

Library Friends Peggy & Jack Baskin

An annual event recognizing donors who have made gifts of $100 or more over the year.

www.carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org