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Marci Meaux
CPLF President

A Message From the President

A Heartfelt Thank You to our Cherished Donors

As summer approaches in our beautiful Carmel, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey of our beloved Library. Can you believe we are nearing a century of serving our community? It is amazing to think of all of the generations that have passed through our doors, each finding their own stories and adventures within our walls.

This remarkable milestone would not be possible without you, our wonderful donors. Your contributions have been pivotal in empowering our foundation's mission. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you!

Your support has helped us maintain and enhance our library, ensuring it remains a welcoming haven for readers of all ages. You have enabled us to offer enriching programs for children, teens and adults, by bringing joy, learning and connection to so many lives. It is your kindness that keeps our shelves stocked with the latest books, our technology up-to-date, and our community events vibrant and engaging.

As we look forward to the future, we are filled with gratitude and excitement. This historic milestone is a testament to the enduring power of community and the unwavering support of donors like you. Together, we are ensuring that our library remains a pillar of our community for generations to come.

Once again, thank you for your generosity, your passion, and your belief in the power of our library. Here's to a bright future filled with many more years of learning, growth and community.

Marci Meaux, Board President
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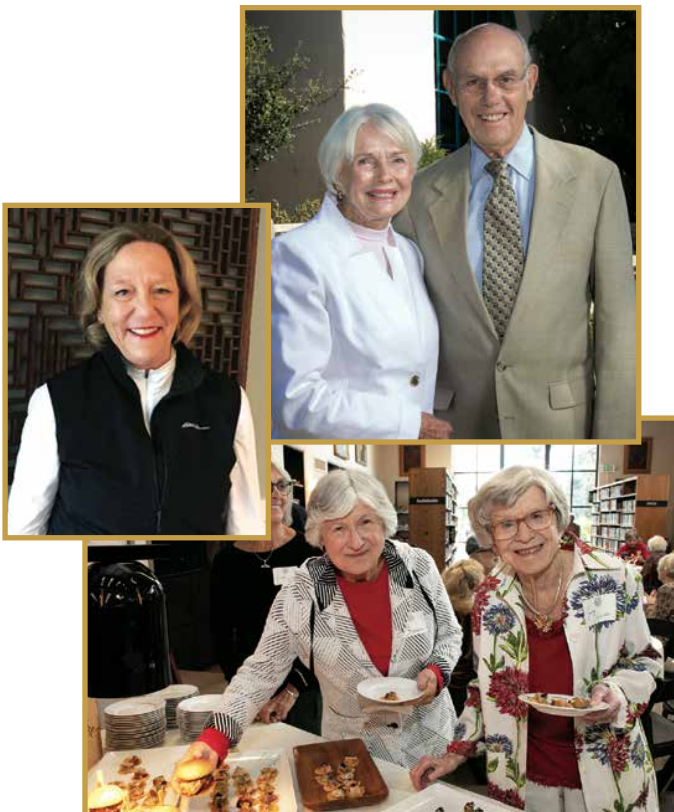
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Get ready for fun at your library this summer! We have exciting programs for everyone - kids, teens, and adults. We have crafts, book clubs, puppets, carnivorous plants, flower crowns, music, speed painting, fun prizes and so much more. Check out the website (ci.carmel.ca.us/library) for a full schedule of events and stop by the library to sign-up!

In other great library news the City Council approved additional part-time staff, so get ready for the restoration of Saturday hours this fall. Thank you to all of you for voicing your support for this. You made it happen!

We are so lucky to have such a wonderful community and are so grateful for your continued support.

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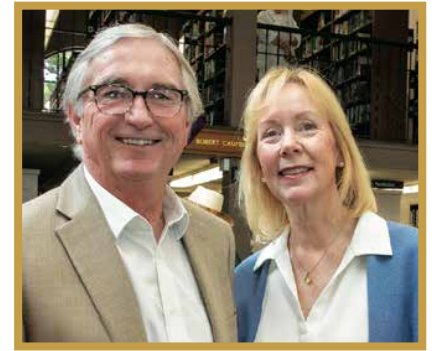
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The Library: A Sense of Place

Alexandra Fallon, Executive Director

For generations, the Carmel Public Library has been a cornerstone of knowledge, offering a unique setting for research and a welcoming space for collaboration and community engagement. Each year, thousands of locals, families, and visitors pass through our doors to pursue intellectual growth and community connection.

This year, the Carmel Public Library Foundation focused its programs around the theme of architecture, design, and a sense of place. The community explored these concepts through a neuroscientist's perspective relative to our built environment, and a Poet Laureate's cultural architecture expressed through her poetry and her role in urban arts and culture. Amongst other programs, we also celebrated a local artist and designer Kipp Stewart's visionary creations across various mediums. The year culminated with our annual event, The HUMAN Edition, featuring essential insights into today's rapidly changing cultural landscape with acclaimed authors Dave Eggers and Douglas Brinkley. Reflecting on memorable moments from their conversation was Eggers' assertion that there is nothing as remarkable as the human brain, with its unique individuality and thought process.

Our next series of programs will begin in the fall, and will continue with a theme of a sense of place, drawing inspiration from the Carmel Public Library's archives and collections. And we will continue to provide an opportunity for the much needed public discourse around transformative topics at our Fireside Chat at the Library program. Stay tuned...and as always, thank you for your continued support!

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Membership to The Sterling Circle is a special honor. If you're interested in becoming a Sterling Circle Member, or would like to learn more about our wonderful library, let us know. Any level of support is greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact the Foundation's Executive Director, Alexandra Fallon, at (831) 624-2811 or afallon@carmelpubliclibraryfoundation.org.

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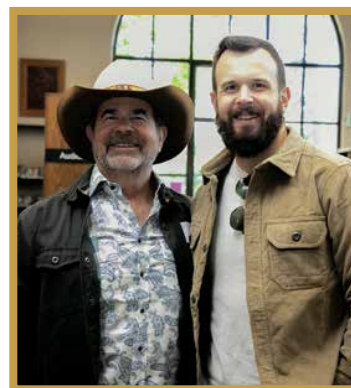
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Welcome & Farewell to Board Members

We welcome these new board members:



Geoff Arnold brings a lifetime of business and nonprofit experience with his passion and commitment to community. He spent over thirty years

in Aerospace and IT Professional Services before entering the real estate industry with his wife and partner Rebecca. They are both involved with many local nonprofit organizations including the Rotary Club of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Central Coast YMCA, Carmel Public Library Foundation and Pasadera HOA.



Debbie Lemmon holds a degree in Architecture and Design from UCLA. She built a career in commercial architectural design, working with firms like

Mattel and Medical Planning Associates. Her community involvement includes roles as PTA president, contributions to Pepperdine University, Chairperson of the Crest Advisory Board, and 8 years as assistant curator at the Weisman Art Museum. Reading is her lifelong passion.



Mary Smith was born in Presque Isle Maine and grew up in the suburbs of Washington DC. She has a BA in history and

psychology from the University of Arizona, an MA from Syracuse University in urban education, and an MBA from Santa Clara University. After her husband died suddenly, Mary focused her life on philanthropy, which included projects in Maine, such as library renovation, community college programs, and city park and hotel improvements. These experiences taught her the value of vision and perseverance.



Gail Sheridan has held key executive level human resources and line management positions in High Tech, Engineering, Financial Services and Biotech industries. She has vast experience in organizational development and strategic planning. Gail has also served in nonprofit leadership roles in Carmel for over a decade.

Farewell to these two Board Members! You will be missed!



Rebecca Wolf Arnold

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Carmine Lepaine

Thank you for your diligence, precision, and unwavering dedication to our mission. Your meticulous efforts and

steadfast commitment played a crucial role in advancing our goals and making a lasting impact. We deeply appreciate the passion you brought to every aspect of our work. Your contributions are truly invaluable and have significantly strengthened our team and mission.

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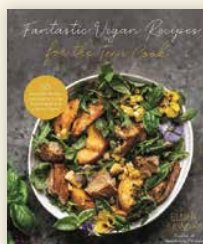
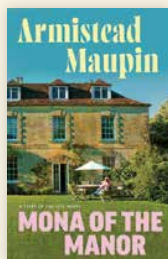
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