

Spring 2019

# CARMEL

## WOMAN'S CLUB



Hello Members,

It's been a fantastic year at the Carmel Woman's Club! As we prepare for spring, I see the smiles get bigger and the room continue to fill with energy and friendship. It warms my heart when you bring a guest and they become a member before the tea and coffee are poured.



YOU are the reason our club is thriving and filled with laughter. It feels like the happiest place on earth. *(Sorry Disneyland)*

We still have some exciting Programs, May 20 to enjoy, including our always over the top Fashion Show on May 6.

Even the Lobster Boil on August 10 Committee is creating a spectacular extravaganza to top last year. Our Annual Meeting and Luncheon on June 3 is a crowd favorite. The best lunch in town and the start of our summer break until our Carmel-by-the-Sea 4th of July Celebration. I hope to see you at all the listed events.



What do you hope to see in the next CWC year? How would you like to get involved? I would love to hear your ideas and input.

Thank you for providing your tea items, offering assistance with events and letting me be your President. I adore you.

Gratitude and hugs,  
*Teresa Basham*

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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**May 6** Fashion Show "Depths of India" Please wear appropriate attire

**May 20** John Sanders, An Illustrated book on the Old Del Monte Hotel

**June 3** Annual meeting

**July 4th** 4th of July Celebration parade and cookies from CWC in the park

**Aug 10** 2nd annual Lobster Boil

# FABULOUS MEMBERS

## Verna Test-Parsons

March 2019



Born in 1917 the day before America joined the Allies to fight the Germans in W.W.I. in San Francisco to a father who lives through the 1906 San Francisco earth quake and a mother whose parents died of pneumonia leaving 7 small children in Kentucky. At age 9 she came to California alone on the train to live with an Aunt and Uncle.

At age 18 she enrolled at Stanford-Lane Hospital as a nurse. There she met my father who was at the eye clinic studying to be an optometrist. They married at age 22 and 26. Along came my sister and four years later I arrived.

“My youthful years were happy ones in school and taking lessons in dance, drama and friendship with those lifetime friends.

*“Que Sera, Sera”  
What will be, will be.*

High school passed quickly – then my college years were filled with much activity in drama and dance. I earned my teachers’ credentials and on graduation I secured a position as a second-grade teacher. After one year I met and married

a wonderful young man who had gone to high school with me. We had almost sixty years of married life with three sons living in Stockton, California.

We moved to Carmel after my husband retired at 60. It was then I joined the Carmel Woman’s Club and soon became President. I joined 10 organizations, but stayed with CWC the longest.

I volunteered with the Symphony Auxiliary and taught art history and biography of famous people at the Carmel Foundation. I made many friends in those 14 years.

My husband died in 1999 and in 2004 I married again to my high school sweetheart after over sixty years had passed. We were both 85 and had 10 wonderful years travelling and enjoying life in our “golden” years. Charles Parsons passed away six years ago and I am still here at 102 - Enjoying good health and many friendships.

“Que sera, sera” is the motto I now live by.”

Verna Dunston Test-Parsons  
Park Lane



*CWC Tile  
at  
Pac Rep*

# Lady Di

January 21, 2019

On Monday, Jan 21, 2019, we returned from holiday hiatus. It's always so nice to see each other again after a break in programs. That day The Carmel Woman's Club presented "*Princess Diana Tells All*"!

We enjoyed the final performance of the hugely popular staged reading of "An Interview with Lady Di". This vignette was directed and produced by Carol Marquart and starring Debbie Howitt and Harriet Lynn. The live performance included photos and a chance to visit with the actors personally after the performance. Following the act, we all enjoyed finger sandwiches, sweet treats, coffee and tea while we caught up with our friends.



# Fallen Tree

February 4, 2019

Monday February 4th a tree fell in front of the Carmel Woman's Club, so our program was cancelled. We applauded the Carmel Fire Department and Public Works for handling the situation so well. According to Carmel's police chief, the downed trees landed on homes on 10th Street and Camino Real, Lobos and Fourth Street and on Dolores and 9th Street.

# Erin Clark

February 18, 2019

On Monday, February 18, 2019, Carmel Woman's Club Presented KSBW News Anchor, Erin Clark, and how she got there. Co-founder of the Carmel International Film Festival, our local beloved newscaster, Erin, discussed her career in media, how she found her way to the Monterey Peninsula, and took questions from the audience.

A coffee and tea reception immediately followed the presentation.



# Asilomar

March 4, 2019

On Monday, March 4, 2019, Carmel Woman's Club Presented "Asilomar and Its Architect, Julia Morgan" We recognized and celebrated Women's History Month at the Carmel Woman's Club by having our own member, retired State Park Ranger Roxann Jacobus, highlight the 1913 founding of Asilomar and the historic buildings designed by Julia Morgan, who was California's first licensed female architect. Morgan is famed for the design of Hearst Castle.

Roxann Jacobus did a wonderful job presenting the structures and stories of the amazing architect and the incredible philanthropist women who funded this project back in 1913.



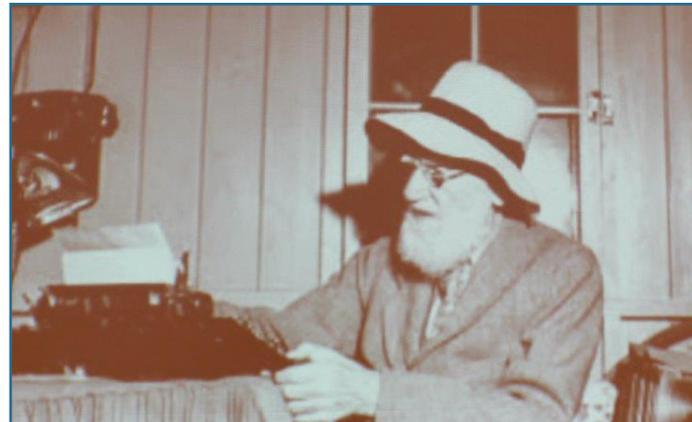
# Oh Pshaw!

March 18, 2019

On Monday, March 18, 2019, Carmel Woman's Club presented "Oh Pshaw!!! - An afternoon with George Bernard Shaw". Noted actor/local performer Howard Burnham regaled members and guests at the Carmel Woman's Club with the history and accomplishments of George Bernard Shaw in the first person.



Shaw, one of the most colorful and witty writers of the 20th century, comes alive as Burnham's impersonation takes on the persona of the great author.



# Peter Funt

*April 1, 2019*

The day wouldn't be complete without an April Fools program by Peter Funt. An American actor, host and producer for the hit TV show *Candid Camera*. We love you Peter!



## Singing Into Spring

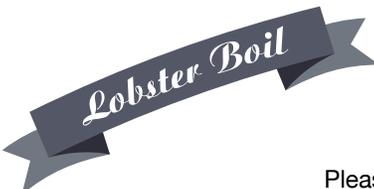
*April 15, 2019*

On Monday, April 15, 2019, Carmel Woman's Club Presented "Singing Into Spring - A Musical Interlude". Members and guests were treated to a wonderful performance of arias, love songs and favorite melodies. Performances featured the beloved tenor Erasmo Aiello accompanied by noted pianist Pauline Troia. In addition to her songs, multitasking musicologist Elise Rotchford performed on the flute in a duet with Troia. A coffee/tea reception immediately followed the program, where members and guests were treated to tea, coffee, finger sandwiches and a lovely table of sweets made lovingly and served by members. All these flavors together made visiting with friends, old and new, both fun and delicious.



# Lobster Boil 2019

*Just around the corner!*



2nd Annual Carmel Woman's Club Lobster Boil  
 August 10, 2019 6:00 - 9:00 pm  
**RSVP by July 3rd for Early Bird Pricing**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_ places at \$125 per person (on or before June 3rd) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please reserve \_\_\_\_ places at \$135 per person (on or before July 20th) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 I / We would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to the scholarship fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Check is enclosed and made payable to: Carmel Woman's Club  
 \_\_\_\_ Please charge my \_\_VISA \_\_MasterCard \_\_AMEX \_\_Paypal

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Names for name tags: Please print (Note: This is an adult only event. Write additional names on back.)

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_  
 3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_

Seating: Please reserve \_\_\_\_ seats for us together; Please reserve \_\_\_\_ seats for me/us at the Community Table; Please seat me/us with:

RSVP Instructions: Please bring this card with payment to a Carmel Woman's Club meeting or mail in an envelope to:  
 Lobster Boil, P. O. Box 2674, Carmel, CA 93921. You may also reserve by phone: Please call: 831-200-3785.

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