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WOMAN'S CLUB

Summer 2015

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President's Letter

As the first year of my presidency at the Carmel Woman's Club comes to a close, I am reminded of the wonderful year we have had together! I have enjoyed meeting so many friends- new and old at our diverse, entertaining and interesting presentations and programs. I have also had the pleasure of working with an incredible board to keep the Carmel Woman's Club in good shape- physically, fiscally and spiritually.

We proudly continue to carry on the tradition of meeting together to share ideas, enjoyable programs and to promote good will in our community, started by the 54 entrepreneurial women who met at the Pine Inn and launched the Carmel Woman's Club in 1925.

We will be celebrating our 90th birthday this coming December 6th (a Sunday) with an afternoon party. I hope we can use this opportunity to share with Carmel and our local community neighbors- our history, information about our on-going programs, and the philanthropic work we are improving upon every year.

We now have over 200 members and are continually reaching out to be even more inclusive. If you know of someone who might enjoy our group, please invite them to attend a meeting! We will resume our schedule in the fall with a welcoming "Member's Tea" on October 5th at 2:00 pm.

I want to remind everyone that for one of our major fundraisers of the year, we are now collecting treasures for our "Sweet Seconds" sale and luncheon (November 2nd at 11:00 am). We will gratefully accept those items you want to keep but will probably never use. This is a wonderful opportunity to clear out that closet, garage, attic or basement and help us raise the funds to be given to the various local non-profit organizations listed in the newsletter under "Our Philanthropy". We all love a bargain, especially for a great cause, and just in time for the holiday gift giving. I guarantee it will feel so good!!

I would like to thank all of you who attended the Annual Luncheon where we introduced the new Board of Directors as well as four of the five MPC scholarship recipients. As usual, the salads and desserts were delicious!! If you weren't able to join us please send in your dues right away to ensure your information gets into the 2015/2016 Directory. The membership committee will thank you profusely.

Have a wonderful summer! I look forward to seeing you in the fall!

*Robin Winfield,
President*



Carmel Woman's Club Has The Best Programs!



“Street of the Sardine” “Yesterday’s Shore, Tomorrow’s Morning”

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February 16, 2015

Film maker **Eva Lothar** shared two of her documentary films with the members of the Carmel Woman's Club. The first short film is called *Street Of The Sardine*, takes footage Eva shot herself during the 1960s. It captures the mood of an abandoned Cannery Row after the sardines and the last canneries disappeared. It brings to the fore the daunting question of man's responsibility in the management of natural resources.

Eva shot this footage at a time when the concept of “environmental conservation” was just beginning to reach public consciousness. The shots of the derelict canneries, the coast area laid to waste, were haunting and evocative. Eva also presented a companion video about the Moss Landing Canneries when they were still operating. It was a reminder to all of us that we are responsible for the flourishing and withering of our own natural resources.



Frida Kahlo – March 2, 2015

Diana Myers-Bennett Roberts presented the life and art of Frida Kahlo to the CWC. Frida was one of the great artists of international fame from the 20th century. Frida Kahlo de Rivera was a Mexican painter who is best known for her self-portraits. Kahlo's life began and ended in Mexico City, in her home known as the Blue House. Her work has been celebrated in Mexico as emblematic of national and indigenous tradition and by feminists for its uncompromising depiction of the female experience and form.

Diana is a former director from the Philadelphia Museum Art and she came to us with museum experience and knowledge of the arts. We learned about Frida's early life, disfiguring trolley accident, and her many loves. Diana helped us understand how all these factors influenced her art. Diana showed slides of many of Frida's works to us and helped us to understand and interpret them.



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And go see us on the web at www.carmelwomansclubca.org.

Our mailing address is PO Box 2674, Carmel, CA 93921
and the physical address is Ninth & San Carlos, Carmel.

Patriotic Betrayal – March 9, 2015 (Evening Event)

Author **Karen Paget** introduced her recently published book entitled *Patriotic Betrayal*. Pat outlined how she and other college students in the 1960s were identified and invited to join an international students' union. She and other students at universities all over the country and the world were targeted to report on other students and activities. Many were unwitting accomplices to government agencies with questionable motives and questionable tactics. Author Karen Paget lived through this challenging period and wrote a book to shed light on what had heretofore considered "classified" information.



CWC held the program at 5:30 to allow for members and guests who cannot make our daytime programs. The early evening program was well received and we will likely have other evening programs in the future.

Tango: The Obsession, the Mystery and Romance of Dance — **March 16, 2015**

The Carmel Woman's Club welcomed one of our own. CWC Member **Nancy Hoeft** has been dancing the Tango for five years with her partner, **David Chiu**. David is known as a choreographer of *Dancing with the Stars*. We enjoyed watching the visually stunning performance by these long-time partners. David Chiu explained the language of tango. He shared with us the history of this romantic and intense dance that promises to dazzle with breath taking moves.



April Showers Paint Spring Flowers — **April 6, 2015**

Carmel Woman's Club invited local water color artist **Tina Marie Bowlsby** to demonstrate for us how to paint. Each participant was given a canvas, paints and Tina Marie walked us through the creation of a watercolor of flowers. Each table had a vase with flowers to inspire the inner artist in each of us. We learned how to mash up colors to create other colors. They may not be museum worthy, but we each left with our creations. It was a fun and creative program.





The Bounty of the County – April 20, 2015

Carmel Woman's Club invited **Tonya Antle** to educate us on the bounty of agricultural goods of Monterey County. We learned that Monterey County provides 59 percent of the nation's lettuce and 53 percent of the nation's broccoli. We also learned that Monterey County is the largest organic fresh produce producing farming area in the nation. We made the mistaken assumption that tourism was our biggest economic driver in our county, and were surprised to learn that agriculture more than doubles that. And strawberries are our largest cash crop. It was great hearing Tonya speak about our rich natural resources.

Ooh La La!

Paris Fashion Show & Luncheon Monday of May, 2015

Jackie Craghead, our CWC Fundraising Chair did it again. She pulled off our biggest bash of the year, our **Annual Fashion Show** which serves to raise money for the Meals on Wheels. Jackie carried the theme of "The Roaring 20s" and the clubhouse was in a gay mood. The band was rousing, the food was delicious and the fashions were delightful. Jackie ran the show with the precision and style. Thank you to all that donated items for the raffle, the wine and the small auction. Thank you to Macys' for providing the beautiful clothing. It was a great success!



Viva La Diva

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May 18, 2015



Carmel Woman's Club was treated to an afternoon at the opera with **Soprano Valerie Lumley, accompanied by noted pianist Lucy Faridany**. Valerie Lumley performed beautifully, singing a variety of songs and arias by Puccini, Cilea, Mozart, Faure, Strauss, Gershwin, and many more. Throughout the years, Valerie has received kudos for her performances as a guest soloist with organizations such as Monterey Opera Association, I Cantori Di Carmel, Monterey By Symphony, Burlingame Opera Company, among others.

Lucy Faridany, her accompanying Pianist, has performed previously for the Carmel Woman's Club. She holds a post-graduate diploma in piano accompaniment, with distinction, from the Royal Academy of Music in London. She is active as a freelance collaborative pianist. In addition, she is Chorus and Youth Chorus Accompanist for the Carmel Bach Festival; she plays piano for the Monterey Symphony, and performs with Ensemble Monterey. These two musical professionals gave us quite a treat and we look forward to hearing them again.

Annual CWC Members' Meeting June 1, 2015

This is our tradition as a way of closing out the year (our 2014/2015 Program Year) and going dark over the summer months. We do not hold the typical program for our Members' Meeting. Each member brings a salad or dessert to this potluck final meeting of the year. The choices were delicious and beautiful.

At this luncheon, we were introduced to the new officers for the upcoming year and to the members at large during this annual Members' Meeting. We also present our CWC "Women Reaching out to Women" Scholarships to further the education of young ladies in our community. Four of the five recipients of the CWC scholarships attended the luncheon. Here are their names and what they want to accomplish with the help of these \$1,000 scholarships:

- Carolyn Ezell going to become a veterinarian
- Teresa Garcia goal is to become a medical Dr.
- Vanessa Perez 2nd year nursing student.
(Vanessa also received the "Kathi DeMaria" award)
- Elizabeth Riedmiller 1st year nursing student
- Jessamy Brice goal is to become a Psychologist.

They are an amazing **group of women and we are very pleased to be a part** of their education journey to become productive people in our community. Thank you all for making this possible.

Getting To Know Your Board

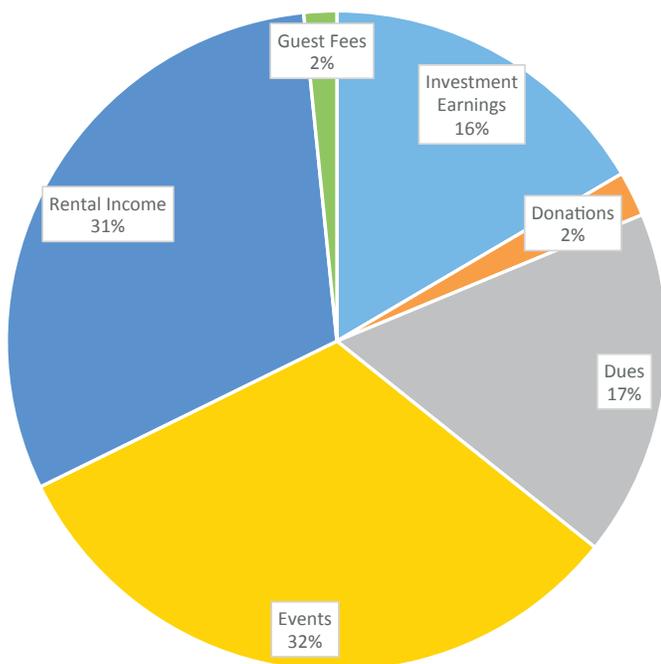
Georganne Thurston, Past President, Executive Board

- I have been a member of CWC and served on the board since 2005, President from 2010 to 2012. What you might not know about me is I am an Appraiser who specializes in the valuation of personal property. I appraise for insurance, estate, sibling disbursement or collecting purposes. I am a mother of one and a grandmother of three adorable children. When I am not working, I volunteer at the Sunset Center, for the Bach Festival and as a docent for the Carmel Mission.

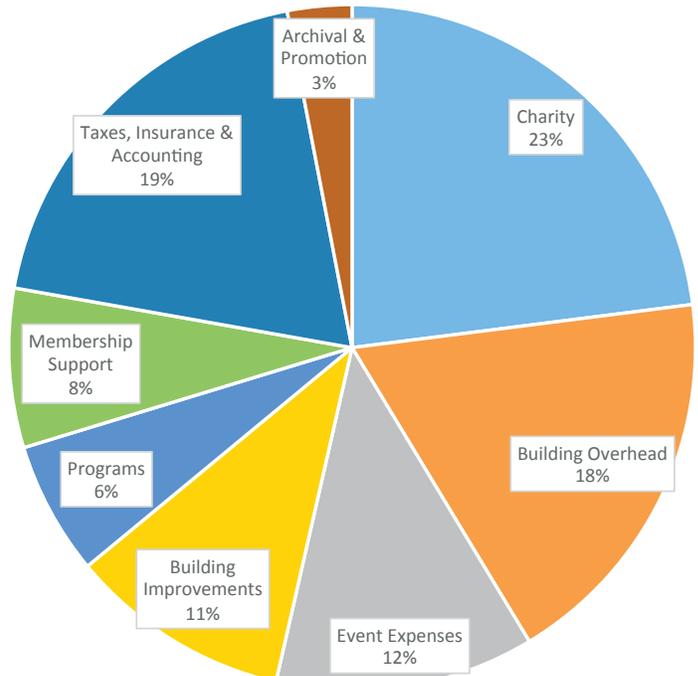
I urge you to get involved in your club. Start by working on a committee or be a greeter at the door, part of the membership team. It is a wonderful way to get connected and meet other women. We as a club are making a difference in our own community through our charitable giving. We give to seniors, through Meals on Wheels, women students through with scholarship program, Women Helping Women administered through MPC and many others.

Join us, it is amazing how much talent and skill we have in our membership, share yourself with others, you will not regret it. Happy Summer!

CWC 2014-2015 Income



CWC 2014-2015 Expenses





Future Programs And Special Events

2:00 – 4:00 PM Speaker & Tea
\$10 for Non-members

Saturday, July 4th

13th Annual 4th of July Celebration

City of Carmel hosts a FREE July 4th, picnic in Devendorf Park. Noon to 4pm. Several non-profits in our community provide hot dogs, popcorn, soft drinks, chips, fruit and many other goodies. Carmel Woman's Club distributes over 800 wrapped cookies. A real treat as they comes in delicious flavors and are enjoyed by all.

CWC Joined in the tradition over five years ago and a chance to represent our club, eat, enjoy the live music and play games. Come volunteer or just hang out with your fellow members. Bring your friends, family and a lawn chair. WEAR RED, WHITE and BLUE, our team colors for the day. For more info call Donna Jett @ 831.594.6200

Monday, October 5

First CWC meeting after summer, 2015-16 Year @ 2pm

See you then and have a Happy and safe summer break!

Monday, November 2

"SWEET SECONDS" Annual Estate Sale

Catered Lunch and shopping @ 11am Carmel Woman's Club house. Clean out your attic, your garage, that back room, your drawers and donate your treasures to the CWC sale. This annual event provides funds for your club to be good stewards of our building and to continue to make significant contributions to our community. Suggested items can be dishes, silver, objects d'art, art, jewelry, glassware, garden treasures, small pieces of furniture, lamps, handbags and much more. No clothing please, but fur coats are welcome. If you would like to drop off or have larger items picked up, please contact a board member or President, Robin Winfield.

Saturday, October 24th.

City of Carmel Celebrates 100 Years

CWC will join in the City in celebrating the Big Birthday of the City. More information to follow.

Sunday, December 6, 2015.

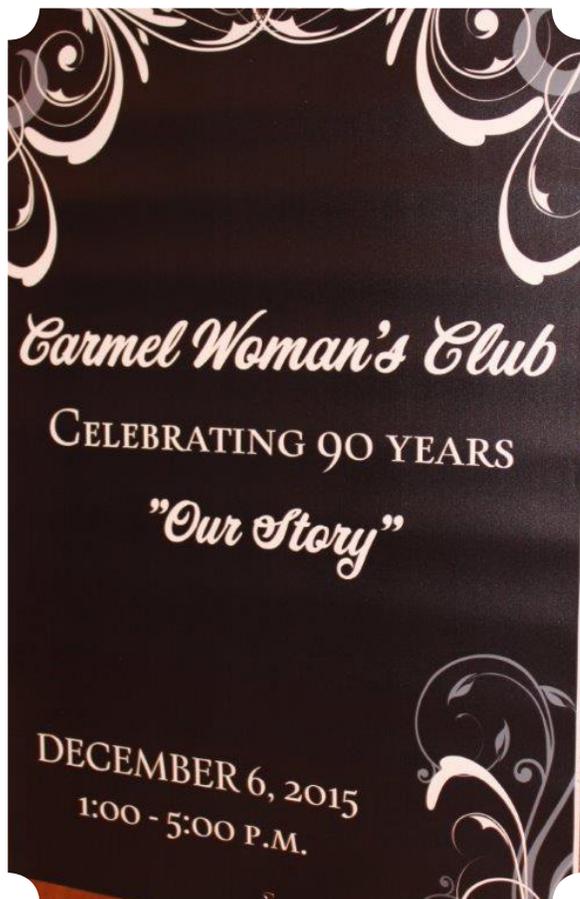
Carmel Woman's Club will celebrate of our organization being founded in 1925. We are planning a big event to celebrate this important anniversary. More information on how you can be a part of sharing our history will follow at our meetings. *Save the DATE!!!*

See our Fall newsletter or go online for updates on our program schedule.

*Why not become a member?
Call 624-2866 or email us carmelwomansclub@gmail.com and join today!*

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Historical Background *for our* 90th Birthday

By Donna Jett

Our history is so rich with social and community activities that many of them will be featured in our visual and print exhibition at our Sunday, December 6, 2015 90 Year Celebration. The commitment and excitement began in 1925 and continues today. We will share what we contributed between the two world wars like our efforts during World War II, CWC continuing contributions after the war and through the many good times and some of the challenging times. We changed with the times by supporting orphans, the homeless and the cultural activities that make our community so special. We have engaged an archivist to preserve and inventory our files, programs, scrapbooks and research our local libraries and newspaper archives. We are stewards not only of our building, but also of our history. Thank you for being such an important part of this continuing history.