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## *Letter from the President*

Dear Members and Friends,

As we begin a New Year, we can not only reflect on the fun and friendship we all shared in 2023, but look forward to much more in 2024!

With a whirlwind of Fall activities and programs, the Carmel Woman's Club was the social center of the City! Our 4th Annual Lobsterfest fundraiser ushered in our season in September. Aside from being a magical evening and sold-out event, it was the single largest fundraising event we've had at the CWC.

One of our most popular special events, our Annual Fall Luncheon and Fundraiser saw 140 members enjoying the company of friends over a sit-down luncheon in November. It also marked the return of our "Sweet Seconds" sale revamped into "Sweet-er Seconds". Many wonderful items found new homes at this year's sale! We thank all of our members who donated their beautiful items to this successful fundraiser.

Our shopping opportunities continued with three events in which we could purchase all of our holiday gifts—a stylish Pop up sale at J. McLaughlin, a lively Sip & Shop at The Barn in Carmel Valley and our much-anticipated annual Craft and Pumpkin Sale. Thank you to our partners, J. McLaughlin and The Barn for generously donating a portion of the sales on particular days to the CWC Scholarship Fund. Our Pumpkin and Fall Craft Sale was a hit, as always! Be sure to look at the photos of our striking succulent Pumpkins.

We also shared a musical December with Monterey Symphony CEO, Nicola Riley, as she regaled us with stories about her career and beautiful violin music with a piano accompaniment to start our holiday season and help us celebrate our 98th Birthday. It was a warm and lovely celebration of our club and the holidays.

A Festive 5K "Run Rudolph Run" rounded out our December, as the 13 members of "Team CWC" raised funds for the Arthritis Research Center while donning our holiday funniest, if not our finest!

We hope you had the opportunity to share in the fun this Fall! And what to look forward to in the second half of our 2023-2024 season? Wine, legendary photography, history, art and fashion, as well as a few surprises will find us all beginning January 15th. We know you'll love the upcoming programs and events and we look forward to sharing time together again this New Year.

We are grateful for your continued membership in and support of the Carmel Woman's Club.

**Happy New Year!**  
*Heidi Mozingo*

# CWC Committee Reports

December 2023

**Philanthropy Committee ~ Annual Giving by Robin Winfield, Chairperson** The Carmel Woman's Club provides grants to Monterey County non-profit organizations with a Carmel Community focus. We have five key priorities: Women, Seniors, Youth, Arts and Community Outreach Services. Beginning in 2006 the CWC began an annual gifting of financial help to local groups by determining where the greatest impact might be made. In 2006 we raised \$4,700, this year we have given well over twice that amount- \$11,400! Thank you to all for helping raise these funds.

Using our carefully written grant giving guidelines, the CWC Philanthropy Committee reviews all applications and then recommends a slate of grants once a year to the CWC board to give final approval. This year we have chosen 14 organizations to receive grants.

We granted \$600 each to the following: Alliance on Aging, Blind and Visually Impaired Center of Monterey County, Breast Cancer Assistance Group, Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, Carmel Foundation, Carmel Valley Angel Project, Chamber Music Monterey Bay, Gathering for Women, Kernes Adaptive Aquatics, Monterey Sober Living for Women, Pacific Repertory Theatre, Salvation Army, Sun Street Centers and VNA & Hospice.

If you know a deserving group you may always suggest they apply for next year (*applications due 9/30/24*).



**Membership Report ~ Paula Russey, Chairperson** The Carmel Woman's Club Membership continues to grow, we now have 370 Members, 29 of those are Lifetime Members! Thank you to all of the members who have invited friends, co-workers and family members to attend a program or luncheon. If you would like to volunteer at the check-in please sign-up through sign-up genius or email Paula @ [pjhaz@hotmail.com](mailto:pjhaz@hotmail.com).



## Rental Committee Report ~ Nancy Twomey, Chairperson

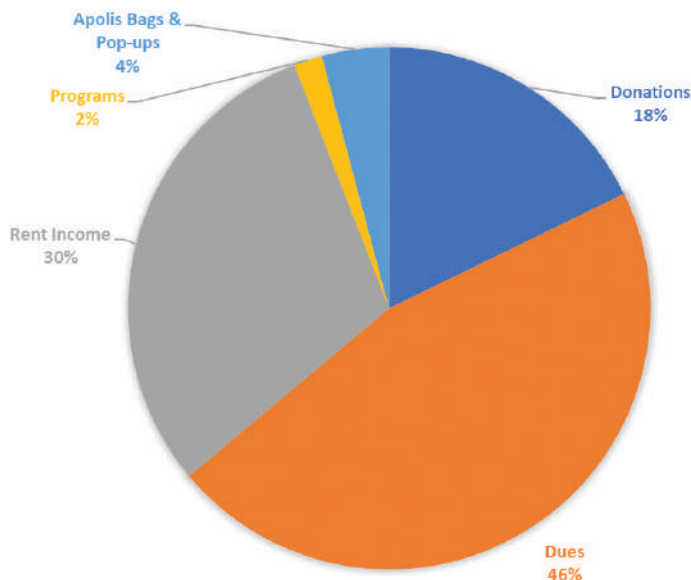
Our clubhouse rentals have been really busy!!! June - December 2023, 28 Rentals for a total of \$15,891! We already have 2024 bookings totaling \$14,174 and it's still 2023. Happy New Year and here's to a prosperous 2024!!



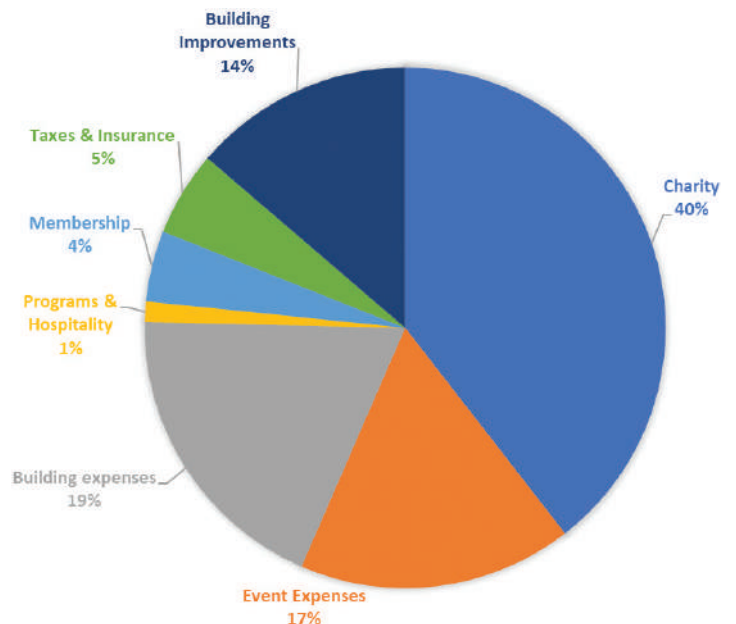
## Financial Report ~ Tina DeMaria, Treasurer

We have ended 2023 with a lot of good news!! To date we have donated over \$60,000! We have completed a wonderful refresh of our building and have grown our membership. Thank you for the continued support of our wonderful club!

**OPERATING BUDGET  
INCOME JUNE - DEC. 2023**



**OPERATING BUDGET  
EXPENSES JUNE - DEC. 2023**





# Lobster Fest *September 9, 2023*



CWC's Lobster Fest held in September was a sold-out evening filled with joy, laughter, and a true sense of community. The collective efforts, creativity, and commitment of our committee, Deb Aitchison, Tonya Antle, Debbie Basham, Teresa Basham, Cheryl Carter, Tina DeMaria, Catherine Green, Lendy Haisley, Debbie Lent and Heidi Mozingo were instrumental in making this a successful and unforgettable event!

We continue to grow this *fun-raising* event each year and are happy to report a net income of \$39,370.00 which will fund our "Women to Women" Scholarship Program.

We are so thankful for the festive music provided by the talents of Mike Lent, Jamey DeMaria, Mike Marotta, and Dave Daley, for our skilled Master of Ceremony, Ben Beesley in keeping our guests informed and also for our busy bartenders, Paul Barber, Deborah Smith, Doug Basham and Heidi Mozingo.

Special thanks to our donors: Augustina's, Girl Boy Girl, Dentelle Fine Lingerie, Sweet Reba's, Poptopia, The Barn, Anything Grows Succulents, Moss Art Creations, Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, Pebble Beach Company, Carmel Valley Athletic Club, Chez Noir, Grasing's, The Pocket, Anton & Michel, Pangaea, Sur at the Barnyard, Catch, Stationaery, Carmel Belle, Wrath, Blair, Bernardus, McIntyre Family, Dawns Dream Winery, Galante, Joyce, Albatross Ridge, Scheid Family Wine, KORi Vineyards, Surf & Sand, Costco, Cathy & Mark Green, Deb & Steve Aitchison, Tina & Jamey DeMaria, Cheryl Carter, Rene Rylander, Lendy & Ross Haisley, and Teresa & Doug Basham. To our generous Sponsors this year, Carmel Gives + Carmel Cares, Kendra Scott, Harvest Construction and Pepe International, a big thank you for your commitment to CWC and our programs. Last but not least, thank you to all our guests that attended and showed their support!





# CWC Programs in Review!

The last of our 2023 Programs were varied, informative, entertaining and well attended. Tonya Antle, our Program Chairperson, got off to an amazing start!

## *October 2 New Member Tea & "Meet the Mayor"*

A Carmel-by-the-Sea trivia program lead by Mayor Potter. Members shared their answers and knowledge about all things Carmel. Welcome back to our members!!



## *October 16 "Sports Journalism - so Many Stories"*

Drea Blackwell, an enthusiastic storyteller, shared her experiences in sports journalism, television sports director, and her path as a woman in this male dominated industry.



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### A QUICK REMINDER

Please make sure you check next to your name in the directory for your Tea assignments. SAN means you are signed up to bring 48 tea sandwiches and DES means you'll be bringing 48 bite-size desserts of your choice. This is your opportunity to share your favorite recipes with the club members or tea treats from your favorite bakery or store!

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*November 6 Harvest Luncheon & SweetER Seconds Fundraiser*

With the clubhouse beautifully decorated in fall colors and our friends around us, we shared a fantastic Fall afternoon together at the Annual Harvest Luncheon and raised an additional \$20,000 for our club's philanthropy!!!



*December 4 Nicola Riley, Monterey Symphony CEO.*

Nicola entertained us with hilarious stories (*really funny!!*) and beautiful music. She was accompanied on piano by James Reiman. We enjoyed the music of the season and celebrated the Carmel Woman's Club 98th Birthday. Our generous members also brought toys for a toy drive!





# Craft Fair *November 18, 2023*



## AND THEN THERE WERE BELLS

I was by myself, it was a covid Christmas.  
A message arrived electronically from an unfamiliar source.  
Ping, to my cell.  
Hark, it is Christmas Eve.

The mysterious source suggests we all ring bells at 6:00 p.m. tonight.  
“The children will hear the bells and know we are all neighbors.”

Ok, I signed up!  
6:00 p.m., I was zooming with my grandchildren.  
Then I remembered my promise and ran to the balcony with a brass bell

I rang and rang,  
No reply  
Silence  
I kept ringing.

Some distance away, I heard what I hoped was an echo of my bell  
Impatiently waiting, I listen again and hear, pots and pans banging their cheer  
“We are here too”

I respond with my bell and shout: “Merry Christmas Neighbors” into the darkness.  
I heard other makeshift bells, chimes too all clanging together, off in the distance  
My heart is light.

I wonder how many angels were presented wings this night.?

*GMT 12/26/20*





# Carmel Woman's Club in the Community

September 19 Women and Finance in collaboration with Junior League of Monterey County



## December 9 Run Rudolph Run!!!

A wonderful time was had by all!! Ho, Ho, Ho



### INGREDIENTS

1 cup all-purpose flour  
½ tsp baking soda  
¼ tsp baking powder  
½ tsp fine sea salt  
½ tsp ground cinnamon  
½ cup salted butter (softened)  
½ cup granulated sugar  
½ cup light brown sugar (pack it in)  
1 egg  
1 tsp pure vanilla extract  
1 ½ cup old fashioned oats  
1 cup mix-ins... now here is where I created a new flavor.

\*You can always add chocolate chips and nuts but this time I chopped up a ½ cup of dried apple slices, a ¼ cup of golden raisins and then added about ½ cup of Trader Joe's Caramel Sea Salt Baking Chips! **Yum!!**

*I always double or triple a recipe because you can never have too many cookies! They freeze well too!*

### Oatmeal Apple Caramel Clusters

A recipe from Lendy's kitchen

#### DIRECTIONS

- Pre-heat oven to 375
- Line baking sheets with parchment paper
- In a small bowl, combine flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt and cinnamon. Set aside.
- Place butter and sugars in your stand mixer and beat until combined.
- Add egg and vanilla and beat on medium speed until the mixture is light
- Add dry ingredients and beat until just combined.
- Add oatmeal, raisins, dried apples, and caramel chips  
(if you like nuts you can add them too!)
- Use a 2 tablespoons cookie scoop to measure out the dough
- Roll the dough into a ball and place on cookie sheet about 2 inches apart
- Gently and very slightly press down the top of the cookies until they are flat.
- Bake in pre-heated oven for 8-10 minutes until the top is set and the edges are golden
- Let sit on baking pan for 5 minutes before transferring to wire rack.

I then melted ¼ cup of the Caramel Chip in a zip lock bag, cut off the tip and drizzled the melted sea salt chips over the cookies. Topped them all off with a pinch of flaky salt.

**ENJOY!!!**





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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1/15/24 Kim Stemler**  
Monterey County Vintners & Growers Assoc.
- 2/5/24 Vanya Quinones**  
CSUMB President
- 2/19/24 Will Bullas**  
Local Celebrity Artist
- 3/4/24 Julie Howe**  
Emmy Award Winning Documentarian
- 3/18/24 Tom O'Neal**  
Legendary Photographer
- 4/1/24 Sean Tucker**  
Stunt Pilot
- 4/15/24 Lillian Barbeito**  
Artistic Director, Carmel Dance Festival
- 5/6/24 CWC Fashion Show and Luncheon**
- 5/20/24 Sherry Flumerfelt**  
Western Flyer
- 6/3/24 Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Luncheon**