



December 1, 2015

The CML Nominating Committee respectfully presents the following Slate of Officers and Members for election to the CML Board. The ballot will be presented at the CML Annual Meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, from 3:00 – 4:00 pm, in the Anne Arundel County Law Library, 8 Church Street, #303. Terms begin immediately.

Nominees for Officers

President: John Carty
Vice President: Kristen Pironis
Secretary: Patricia Hofmann
Treasurer: Stuart Ragland

Nominees for the Board

Jennifer Keats Curtis
Martha Grahame
Sandra Lombardo
Karen Trennepohl

Biographical Sketches

John Carty

Mr. Carty holds a BBA in Finance from Loyola University in Maryland and an MS in Finance and in Contract Management from the Naval Postgraduate School.

He spent 20 Years in the Navy as a Supply Corps Officer with operational tours on a fast attack submarine and an aircraft carrier. Shore assignments include the Naval Sea Systems Command as a Business Financial Manager and Deputy Program Manager; and the National Security Council at the White House. His final tour in the Navy was as the Chief Financial Officer for the Program Executive Office for Integrated Warfare Systems. The Program Executive Office for Integrated Warfare Systems procures all warfare systems for all of the Navy's surface ships and has an annual budget of \$3.4B.

Following his retirement from the Navy, Mr. Carty was the Executive Director of the Acoustic Systems Division for ManTech International for one year before moving to his current position. He is now a Vice President of Alion Science and Technology where he runs the support program for the maintenance and modernization of all of the Navy's non-nuclear surface ships. He is responsible for 300 employees and 28 subcontractors who operate from 12 different locations in the US and overseas.

Mr. Carty is a member of the CML Board and is serving as the CML President.

Jennifer Keats Curtis

Jennifer Keats Curtis has penned numerous nonfiction and realistic fiction books about animals, including this year's Children's Choice Book Award Winner **Kali's Story: An Orphaned Polar Bear Rescue**. She excitedly anticipates the addition of several new books, including the nonfiction **The Lucky Litter: Wolf Pups Rescued from Wildfire** and the realistic fiction **After A While Crocodile** with co-author Dr. Brady Barr of Nat Geo Wild's Dangerous Encounters. To learn more and to request school visits, please visit her website at www.jenniferkeatscurtis.com and follow her on Facebook at **Green** Author Jennifer Keats Curtis.

Martha Grahame

I am a library advocate and supporter. I have served as a Trustee of Calvert Library since 2001. I am President of the Friends of the Library Board and have served in this capacity since 1998. This is a wonderful group and my time with them has enriched my life. I am a member of the Calvert Library Foundation Board and have served on the Board since it was organized in 2000.

I volunteer at least one day each week at the Calvert Library, Prince Frederick. In 1992 I began working the children's desk one day each week so the children's librarians could conduct storytime. I currently help with delivery, shelve items, check all library card applications for accuracy and conduct inventory. I work on special projects for the Director and the Public Relations Coordinator. In addition to my library activities, I am active in All Saints Episcopal Church, Sunderland, and serve as the treasurer of the Episcopal Churchwomen. I also serve as a volunteer teacher for the Calvert County Division of Natural Resources in two county parks, Battle Creek Cypress Swamp and Flag Ponds. I serve on the Board of Directors for B Creek Nature Education Society. All of these activities afford opportunities for me to be an advocate for the Calvert Library.

Patricia Hofmann

Recently retired, Pat Hofmann states that she will always be a passionate advocate for libraries. The libraries in Maryland are awesome and everyone needs to work together to assure that all libraries continue to progress and change with the times. Volunteers play an important role in advocacy and library support.

Pat's library career included 28 years at the wonderful Calvert Library. She was promoted in the system over the years and served as Director for about 15 years before she retired. Pat also worked in a special library at an engineering firm in Connecticut and a public library in Nanticoke, Pennsylvania.

In addition to Citizens for Maryland Libraries, Pat is a member of Friends of Calvert Library and the Calvert County League of Women Voters. She is a volunteer for Calvert Library.

Sandra Lombardo

Sandy Lombardo has been employed by the Baltimore County Public Library for 26 years in a variety of positions in multiple levels and departments. She received her MLS from Clarion University of Pennsylvania in 2005 and is currently the Branch Manager at the White Marsh Branch of BCPL. As an

advocate for libraries, I strongly support Intellectual Freedom and seek to connect library services to those most in need of the services libraries provide. Making people aware of all services libraries offer is critical to our constituents, especially in the most at risk areas. I'm excited by the opportunity CML brings as an integral part of broadcasting our message and garnering critical community and legislative support for our fine Maryland Libraries.

Kristen Pironis

An avid reader and writer, Kristen Pironis found a home in libraries at a young age. Her support of libraries—and the communities they serve—grew as her family made Kent Island their home in 2008. While at first just a dedicated patron, she joined the Board of Trustees for the Queen Anne's County Library in 2012 and now serves as its Vice President. She is also a member of the Friends of the Queen Anne's County Library group. In 2014, she joined the CML Board.

Stuart Ragland

Stuart Ragland has served as treasurer of CML since 2011. A member of the CLIS Class of 1992 at UMCP, he has worked at Enoch Pratt Free Library / Maryland State Library Resource Center on the Sailor Project since 1994. Stuart is a member of Howard County Friends, ALA, and MLA. Since 2009 he has served as chair of the MLA Technology Committee. Before embarking on his career in libraries, Stuart worked as a residential real estate agent for several years in Howard County. He channels his energies for other community service activities through church.

Karen Trennepohl

Karen Trennepohl is a retired career librarian living in Ellicott City. Her career included all levels of library administration, many types of responsibilities and providing services for a variety of individual needs in both Maryland and Pennsylvania - adult fiction specialist (public), young adult specialist (public), legislative/research (FCC), children's services/district children's coordinator (PA), director of learning resources (college), branch supervisor (public), head of human resources (public). She continues to practice her profession as an information sub for Howard County Library.