

This past fiscal year has been a year of transition for the Newport Beach Public Library Foundation. The Foundation staff, and our new CEO, Jerold Kappel, returned to their Library offices in June 2021 and the Board is back to in-person meetings. Our Witte Distinguished Lecture Series and Library Live Distinguished Author programs were finally held again in person and we were able to mingle with our library-loving friends and neighbors to discuss issues and challenges raised by our engaging speakers.

Our most exciting step forward this past year was reaching an agreement with the City of Newport Beach for funding the construction of our much-anticipated new Library Lecture Hall, now named Witte Hall due to the generous contribution by Bill Witte and Keiko Sakamoto. The Hall is named to honor Martin Witte, founder of the Witte Lecture Series 26 years ago, and the Witte Family.

Witte Hall has been a vision for over ten years, driven to reality by the dedicated efforts of Jill Johnson-Tucker. Jill not only chairs the City's Design Committee, but also leads our capital campaign to ensure that the Foundation will meet its financial obligation for the Hall construction. Many others contributed to these efforts including Walter Stahr and Larry Tucker, who both joined me to work out an agreement with the City, as well as members of the Design Committee, including Council Member Diane Dixon, Library Trustee Janet Ray, and Matt Witte who joined Jill and me on that Committee. We were tasked with working with our architect, Bob Coffey, on the design of the Hall.

The Foundation's Board and its many donors and volunteers provide the engine that makes our programs a success. For over 30 years the Foundation has worked to make the Newport Beach Public Library a beacon of learning and inspiration, and the central point of our civic life. We are all proud to be a part of a mission to make our community an even better place to live and raise a family.

I will be passing the Foundation's leadership baton to our Vice Chair next July with mixed feelings – sadness that my tenure is over and pride in our accomplishments. I will, however, remain an active participant in the Foundation and ask that you too become part of the Foundation's future. Please do continue your monetary support, and increase it if you are able, but also consider volunteering as an active participant in the life of the Foundation, perhaps as a Board or committee member. We'd love to have you join us.

Feel free to contact me or CEO Jerold Kappel, to learn how you can be part of the future of the Foundation and the great Library it serves.

– Karen Heath Clark, *Chair of the Board*
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PROGRAMS

WITTE DISTINGUISHED AUTHOR SERIES

Over 1500 people attended the Witte Lectures with a 92% capacity for the eight lectures, all live and in person. Audience members were enthused to be able to attend compelling presentations by:

- Suzanne Simard, PhD, author of *Finding the Mother Tree: Discovering the Wisdom of the Forest*
- Eddie Glaude Jr., PhD, spoke on *Race and Democracy: America is Always Changing, But America Never Changes*
- Charlotte Alter, spoke on *Turnover: How Generational Change Will Transform American Life*
- Ezra Klein, spoke on *American Varieties: Reflecting on Democracy*

This was the 25th Anniversary of the Witte Distinguished Author Series. Lizanne Witte, a founding member of the Witte Series Committee, provided an overview in the Spring edition of the Bookmark which listed all 109 authors who have spoken from 1997-2022. The cover of the Bookmark, celebrating the twenty-five years, featured the faces of forty-eight of the most renowned writers and thinkers among this group and reminded us of the tremendous contribution this Witte Series has made to our Newport Beach community. The Spring edition of Bookmark is available in the Archive section on the Foundation's website www.NBPLF.Foundation.

LIBRARY LIVE

Library Live featured a wide array of speakers in a variety of formats including biography, history, and fiction. All authors had Southern California roots. The speakers were:

- Walter Stahr, author of *Salmon P. Chase: Lincoln's Vital Rival*
- Brit Bennett, author of *The Vanishing Half*
- Adin Dobkin, author of *Sprinting Through No Man's Land: Endurance, Tragedy and Rebirth in the 1919 Tour de France*
- Charles Yu, author of *Interior Chinatown: Screenwriting, Representation and Identity*

MEDICINE IN OUR BACKYARD

Through the Foundation’s partnership with UCI Health and the support of Mike and Polly Smith, Medicine in Our Backyard continued virtually with presentations from internationally renowned medical faculty to address a broad range of health issues: Covid 19 and Life after the Pandemic, Women Surviving Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease, Glaucoma, Colonoscopies, Prostate Cancer, Brain Repair with Stem Cells. As many as 150 people registered for these lectures, each ending with a Q and A exchange with the audience.

FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOPS AND BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Both groups resumed live in September and saw an increase in participation. After the emergence of the Omicron variant of the Coronavirus in late 2021, the Financial Literacy Workshops returned to virtual programs and after a brief pause, the Book Discussion Group returned to the Friends Room in the Spring for in-person gatherings.

VIDEOS

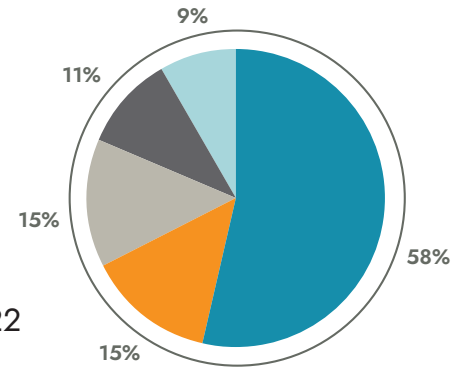
Videos of the Witte Lecture and Library Live series are available on the Foundation’s website free for members of the Foundation. The Medicine in Our Backyard video archives will remain available on the Foundation’s website free to both Members and non-Members.

SOCIAL GATHERING

The season ended with a Summer Solstice Reception in the Bamboo Courtyard celebrating new members of the Foundation, Library Leadership Circle donors, and distinguished guests. Connie Spenuzza, local and award-winning author spoke about her book, *Chocolate Runs Through My Veins*, which explores the cultural history of the women within the world of chocolate. Mrs. Spenuzza gifted the attendees with signed copies of her book, chocolates (of course!) and musical entertainment including Flamenco dancers.

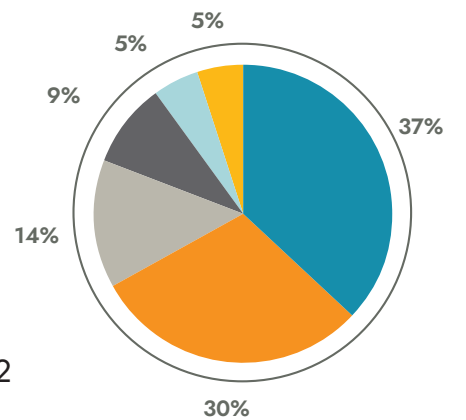
FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

With the successful negotiation of the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Newport Beach, and the acceptance of the building’s design, the Foundation initiated a capital campaign, entitled Beyond Books, to raise the funds to partner with the City in the construction of a new Library Lecture Hall. The Foundation underwrote the costs of initiating this campaign.



FISCAL 2022 REVENUE

■ Contributed Revenue	\$407,387.98
■ Investment Income	\$108,534.98
■ Grants	\$107,603.40
■ Earned Revenue	\$ 80,577.57
■ Net Operating	\$ 60,315.85



FISCAL 2022 EXPENSES

■ Program Expenses.....	\$239,543.38
■ Management.....	\$192,999.41
■ Fundraising	\$ 88,097.00
■ Marketing.....	\$ 56,171.67
■ Library Support.....	\$ 35,105.00
■ Capital Campaign.....	\$ 31,872.00

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The Foundation had a 7% increase in contributed revenue for the fiscal year, and with in-person Witte Lectures and Library Live presentations, the Foundation experienced an overall net revenue increase of 19%. Operating expenses were on budget. The Foundation contributed \$35,100 to the Library and underwrote \$31,900 in capital campaign expenses for the Beyond Books funding campaign for the Library Lecture Hall. Like other small businesses, the Foundation was able to secure Paycheck Protection Program loans during the height of the Coronavirus epidemic. Again, like other small businesses, those loans were forgiven this past fiscal year.

GOVERNANCE

Under the leadership of Chair Karen H. Clark, the Board of Directors remained engaged and committed to the mission and programs of the Foundation. The Board welcomed new member Marilyn Krahe and expressed their appreciation for the services of Afsaneh Alisobhani and Bridget Smith who left the Board.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE INVOLVEMENT AND DIRECTOR TRANSITION

Kurt Kost was the Trustee liaison to the Foundation Board this past fiscal year. Trustee Chair Paul Watkins served as the liaison to Library Live Committee and Barbara Glabman to the Witte Lecture Committee. The Foundation thanks them for their service. Tim Hetheron, longtime member of the Library staff and its director for the past eight years, retired in May. That same month, the Trustees appointed another long-time staff member, Melissa Hartson, as the new director. The Board and staff look forward to working with Ms. Hartson and her dedicated library staff for many years to come.

BOARD POLICY REFINEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The Board approved critical policies—Financial Management, Whistleblower, and Ethical Fundraising—and revised the Investment policy. These policies, as well as the Board’s commitment to transparency and accountability, resulted in the Foundation receiving a Platinum rating from GuideStar, the website that reports on 1.8 million IRS-recognized tax-exempt organizations, and a 98 Encompass rating from Charity Navigator, an independent nonprofit that provides insights into a nonprofit’s financial stability, adherence to best practices for accountability, transparency, and results reporting. These independent rating agencies assure our donors that contributions will be stewarded, used for the intended purpose, and managed for the good of the Foundation, the Newport Beach Library, and the community that uses and enjoys the Library.

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