



2024

Annual Report

Enhancing Delivery of Library Services



Friends of the
Lincoln Public Library

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Our Mission

To support and promote the Lincoln Public Library

Established in 1986, the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library (FOLL) is an all-volunteer, member-supported, non-profit corporation, registered as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. The City of Lincoln, Western Placer Unified School District and Sierra College provide funds for library operations. (Sierra College funding expires on June 30, 2025.) However, the library could not provide the level of programs and services it does without the additional financial support provided by FOLL and the numerous volunteers who give hours of their time. In the words of our Library Director, "Lincoln will always have a library, but without the Friends, it would not be this library."

2024 Service Organization of the Year

The Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce recognized FOLL on February 7, 2025 with its 2024 Business Excellence Award for Service Organization of the Year. FOLL also received certificates of recognition from U.S. Congressman Kevin Kiley, California Senate, California Assembly, and Placer County Board of Supervisors. In 2024, volunteers contributed over 4,900 hours supporting FOLL fundraising and other activities.



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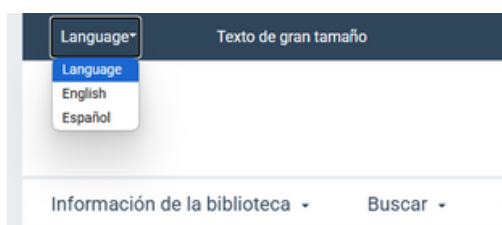
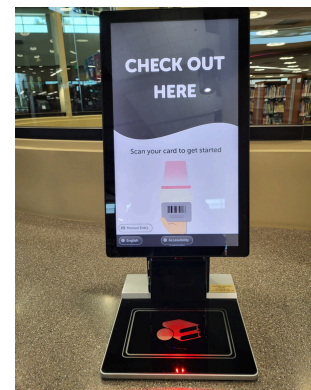
Enhancing Delivery of Library Services

The Lincoln Public Library is always looking for ways to better serve our community and, in 2024, the library did just that with the help of the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library (FOLL).



Our community now has the option to pick up their requested books and media any time from library hold lockers located at the Lincoln Public Library and the Lincoln Community Center. The lockers make it easier for downtown Lincoln residents and those with busy schedules to have access to the over 113,000 items in the library's physical collection. FOLL provided the City of Lincoln with \$35,000 to cover one-half the cost of the lockers.

FOLL also partnered with the City to replace the library's outdated, failing self check-out stations. With the five new stations, library patron are able to quickly check out their books and media without standing in line at the circulation desk. The savings in patron and staff time is substantial given that over 350,000 items are checked out at the library annually. FOLL provided \$14,000 for this purchase (one-half the cost).



Those in our community who are Spanish language speakers now have the option to access the library catalog in Español. The Lincoln Community Foundation graciously provided FOLL with \$800 for this annual subscription service.

For library patrons who enjoy gardening, the library added a "seed library" offering vegetable, berry, flower and native seeds. FOLL used \$1,270 of its funds to purchase the furniture, seed packets, seeds and gardening books for the display.



Encouraging Kids' Interest in Reading and the Library

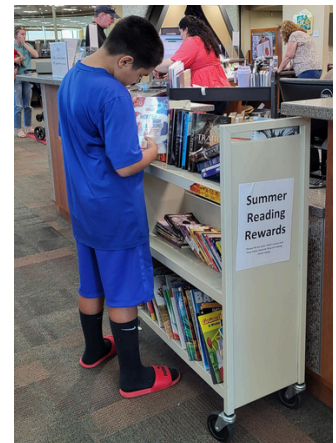
Getting books into the hands of teens and children is a major endeavor of FOLL and the library. The library holds events throughout the year where kids are given a free book for their home libraries. In 2024, FOLL used \$8,275 to purchase 2,012 new books for the library to give to teens and children.



The library's most ambitious book giveaway is **Read Across Lincoln**, which has the goal of providing a new book to each first grader in Lincoln. During school visits, children were treated to a story time, encouraged to visit the Lincoln Public Library and given packets with library information, a craft, and a copy of the featured book, *With Lots of Love*, by Jenny Torres Sanchez. Library staff and volunteers visited 8 schools and provided packets to another 2 schools.

The library's **Summer Reading Program** encourages kids to read during the school break. Kids receive books for their home libraries and other rewards for reading. For Summer Reading 2024, 1066 readers completed 6,812 hours of reading in just 8 weeks. They also completed 6,960 learning activities and collected over 1,270 reward books.

In addition to purchasing book rewards, FOLL pays for Beanstack, an online service for the Summer Reading Program and other reading challenges held during the year. In 2024, FOLL paid \$1,670 for this service.



The **Read to Me - Baby Literacy Kit** is an initiative started this year as part of the library's Adult and Family Literacy Program. Each kit contains a bilingual Spanish/English board book, fabric baby activity book, information with early literacy tips and a schedule of weekly free library programs. The kits are distributed through the Lighthouse Counseling Center to families with infants or toddlers.

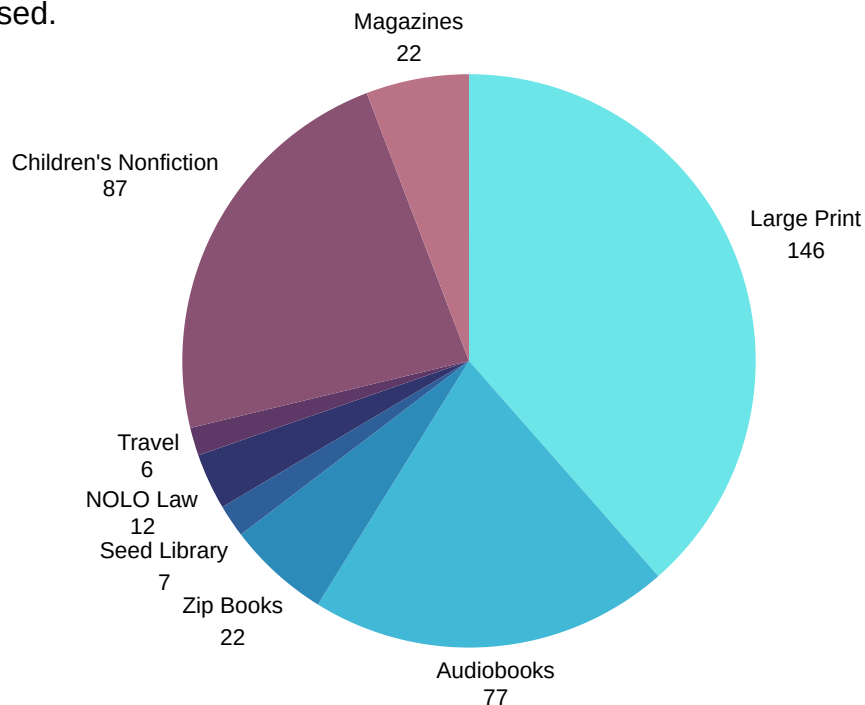
The library has several other events or activities during the year where books purchased by FOLL are given to kids. For the teens, these include Teen Free Book Day, Youth Literary Festival, Battle of the Books and Cover to Cover Book Club. For the young readers, the library gives books for Fairy Tale Day, Dinovember and Yule Book Flood.

Expanding Library Resources

FOLL helps the Lincoln Public Library expand its print and digital collections to better serve the needs and interests of our community.

Books and Magazines

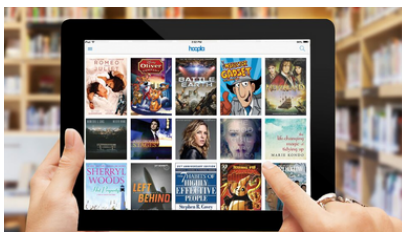
In 2024, FOLL spent \$8,276 on books and magazines for the collection. The graph below shows the purchases by category. In total, 379 books and magazine subscriptions were purchased.



FOLL purchased these books with its own funds and funds provided by the Lincoln Hills Foundation (large print and audio books on CD), Lincoln Rotary Club Foundation (children's nonfiction), and Orchard Creek Book Group (teen and children's magazine subscriptions).

Digital Collection

With the help of the Lincoln Hills Foundation, FOLL provided \$14,220 to supplement the library's budget for **Hoopla**, a digital library service. FOLL provided over \$5,590 for **Kanopy**, an on-demand streaming video platform.



In 2024, library users accessed 8,200 audiobooks, eBooks, comics, movies, TV shows, magazines and music on the Hoopla app. Library users streamed 5,580 films, TV shows and documentaries with Kanopy.

Making the Library a Favorite Destination

Programs, Events and Activities

The Lincoln Public Library offers opportunities throughout the year for our community to enjoy programs, events and activities at the library. In 2024, FOLL provided over \$16,500 in financial support for programs and events, including staff time, performers, artists, author stipends, food and beverages, materials, and supplies. Attendance at library programs and events numbered over 14,850 adults, teens and children in 2024.

The second year of **Family Art Night** was a great success, with over 700 people attending the two-hour event. The library offered hands-on projects for all ages, including a doodle wall, watercolor butterfly art and paper bag puppets. The event featured face painters, caricaturists, cellist and free pizza dinner.



Family Art Night and the other many programs, events and activities offered by the Lincoln Public Library would not be possible without financial help from FOLL, the hours of time donated by volunteers, and the tireless efforts of the library staff.



Mother Goose on the Loose Program



Family Story Time



Fairy Tale Day



Homework Center



Ice Cream Social



Lincoln Book Festival



Stuffy Sleepovers



Make a Snowman Ornament



**FOLL Mascots
Booker & Booklet**



Stickerpalooza



How to Festival



Pencil Pouch Party



"You Rock" Painting



Puzzle Off



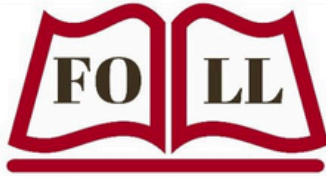
Candlelight Concert

Keeping Our Community Informed

FOLL continues bringing library information to our community through its outreach efforts. Some of the community events attended by FOLL volunteers were the Back to School Bash, Children's Free Health Fair, Lincoln Hometown Christmas, Trick or Treat in the Plaza, National Night Out, Fowlers Farmers Market and the SCLH Lifestyles Expo. FOLL volunteers also delivered door hanger bags with library materials to homes in Downtown Lincoln.



FOLL offers library tours and presentations for interested groups. We also keep the community informed about the library and FOLL activities with our monthly eNewsletter and social media posts. FOLL has 1,370 eNewsletter subscribers, 534 on Facebook followers and 491 Instagram followers.



Friends of the Lincoln Public Library

Message from the FOLL President

February 6, 2025

Dear Friends,

Thanks to our community's steadfast and generous support of the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library (FOLL), we contributed a record \$115,000 to the Lincoln Public Library last year. We could not have had this impact without the hundreds of volunteers and the contributions we received through memberships, donations, gently used books and media, and grants from our community partners. Thank you for your generous gifts of time and treasure!

In 2024, FOLL continued its focus on 3 objectives: (1) encourage kids' interest in reading and the Library; (2) make the Library a favorite destination; and (3) expand Library resources. Here are a few examples:

Encourage Kids' Interest in Reading and Library: The "Read Across Lincoln" program (now in its third year) distributed 700 brand new books (provided by FOLL) and craft packs to every first grader in the Lincoln area through a classroom "story time", along with a primer on how to use the library. In addition, the annual "Summer Reading Program" had over 1,000 participants who read 6,000+ hours in just 8 weeks! Over 1,000 books were given to young readers as reading rewards, all provided by FOLL.

Make the Library a Favorite Destination: The second annual Family Art Night was an astounding success, with 700 people coming to the Library after hours to enjoy hands-on arts and crafts projects, face painters, caricaturists, live music, and free pizza. FOLL funded \$3,250 and organized 22 volunteers in support of this popular community event.

Expand Library Resources: FOLL contributed \$16,000+ to expand the Library's physical collection (large print books, audio books on CD, nonfiction for kids, and magazines for teens & kids) and \$19,000+ for online services (Hoopla & Kanopy). Much of this funding came through generous grants from the Lincoln Hills Foundation, Lincoln Rotary Club Foundation, and SCLH Orchard Creek Book Group.

Without the generosity and hard work of our community, we would not have the library that we have today. Thank you for believing that a strong library is the heart and soul of a strong community.

Teresa Lai Stanislaw

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February 3rd, 2025

Dear Members of the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library,

Happy 2025, and thank you for all of your support throughout 2024. The Friends demonstrated a truly extraordinary level of support to the Library over the past year, and expanded the breadth and reach of what our Library offers to the community. With your support, we were able to bring popular and significant events like Read Across Lincoln, our Youth Literary Festival, and Family Art Night back for another year. We also added new programming, such as Stuffy Sleepovers and our first Candlelight Concert, to expand the ways our community can learn, discover, and grow at the Library.

In addition, the Friends made substantial investments in the Library technology, which helps maximize the efficiency of our library services and improves the experience of our patrons. Your funding helped make the installation of five new, state-of-the-art self-check machines possible. In addition, we also purchased the long-awaited Library Hold Lockers, which will allow 24/7 access to library materials for our community. And as always, the Friends provide support to enhance our extremely popular library collection of books, movies, digital resources, and more. Your donations of time, gently used books, and money help make these and all the achievements highlighted in this report possible.

The Friends of the Lincoln Public Library have been the most passionate advocates for library services in Lincoln for decades, and working with your board is one of the highlights of my job. I hope that as you read this report, you are filled with pride for all your amazing organization has accomplished. Without you, Lincoln would not have the vibrant Library that it does – so thank you for continuing to invest in our community and its future.

With gratitude,

Kathryn Hunt

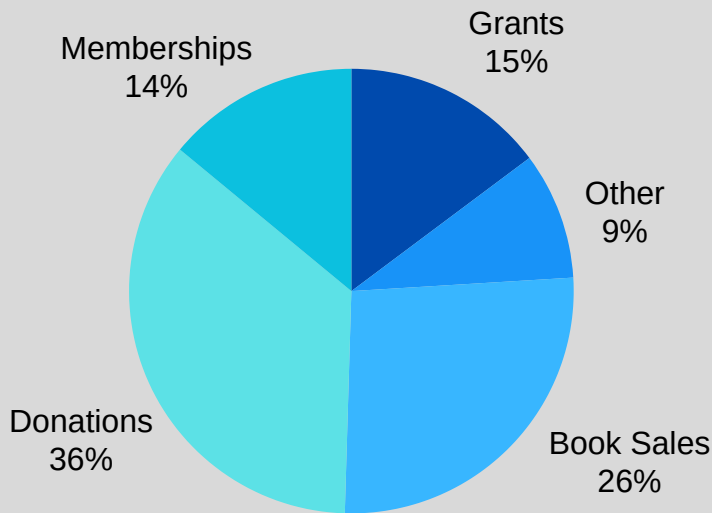
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2024 Receipts and Disbursements

Receipts \$105,536



Available Fund Balance -
December 31, 2023 \$181,087

Receipts:

Book Sales	27,902
Memberships	14,790
Donations	37,482
Grants	15,600
Other	9,762

Disbursements:

Online & Digital Resources	22,279
Collection Expansion	12,604
Free Books to Children & Teens	8,276
Library Programs & Events	18,902
Booklocker & Other	53,162
Fundraising & Administration	8,508

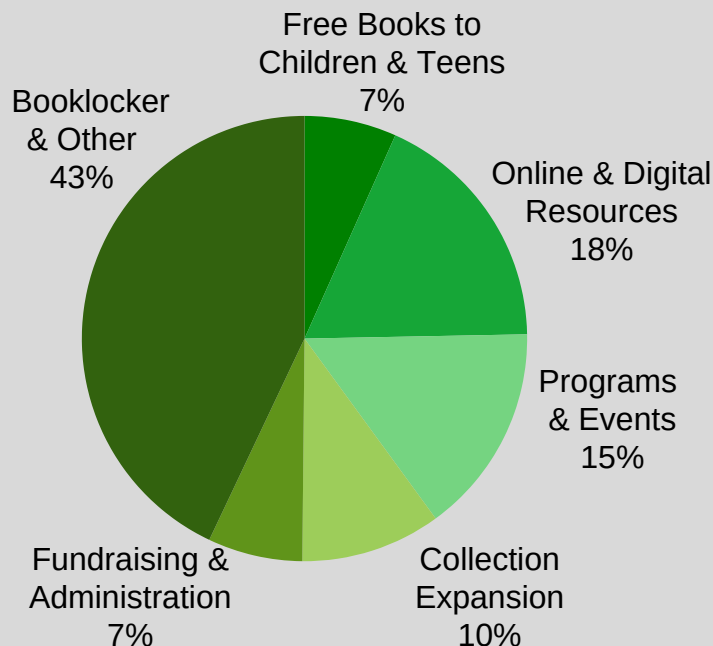
Additional Receipts from City of
Lincoln Restricted Award \$200,000

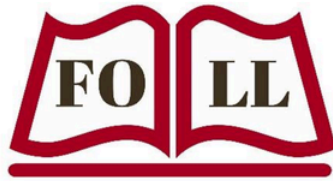
Future Obligations under
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Agreement with City of Lincoln \$200,000

Available Fund Balance -
December 31, 2024 \$172,710

On November 12, 2024, the City of Lincoln awarded \$200,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funds to FOLL for library facility projects and library outreach. The related MOU specifies the management and use of the funds.

Disbursements \$123,731





Friends of the Lincoln Public Library

February 20, 2025

To: FOLL Board Members

From: Financial Review Committee

Subject: 2024 FOLL Financial Review Report

The Financial Review Committee met on February 20, 2025 at the Lincoln Public Library to review the financial year-end report for December 31, 2024. The review committee was comprised of the following FOLL members: Mary Nader, Sharon Gorley, and Neil Cochran. The Committee reviewed bank statements and supporting documentation for the period January 1 through December 31, 2024.

FOLL's financial assets are currently maintained in four bank accounts: one checking account, one money-market account, and two certificates of deposit. FOLL uses the cash basis for reporting. The Treasurer uses the software program Quicken to maintain financial records. Revenue is recorded when deposits are made to the bank. Expenses are recorded when checks are written or electronic fund transfers or other withdrawals are made from the bank. The Treasurer submits a monthly report to the FOLL board on fund balances, revenue, and expenses.

Our review was limited to the following tasks:

- Compared and determined that the beginning and ending balances shown in the Quicken file matched the balances in the monthly statements provided by the financial institutions holding FOLL assets. This task was completed by physically examining and comparing four month's revenues and expenses (one sample month from each fiscal quarter) shown on the Quicken transactions register to the check stub and check number fastened to the actual invoice or receipt or deposit.
- Confirmed that the ending balances shown in the Quicken file reconciled to the beginning balance shown on the January 2024 statement and the ending balance on the December 2024 statement provided by the financial institutions.
- Confirmed that appropriate supporting documentation was on file for deposits made, checks written, electronic fund transfers made, and other withdrawals made between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024.

We conclude that the December 31, 2024 year-end Treasurer's reports accurately represent the financial status of the Friends of the Lincoln Public Library. We found no irregularities in the records presented.

The Financial Review Committee wishes to express sincere gratitude to FOLL Treasurer Gloria Pilotti-Irey for the well-organized and most thoroughly prepared FOLL financial records for 2024.

Mary Nader

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FOLL Member & Past President

Sharon Gorley

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2024 Major Contributors

Individuals & Families

Publisher Level - \$500 or More

Joseph & Jeryn Byrne	Karen Lindh & Chuck Solt
Jeri Chase Ferris	Wanda Melilli
Robert & Donna Fields	Linda Moran
Dale Howell	Verna Rowe
Jim and Gloria Irey	James Stanislaw & Teresa Lai Stanislaw
Jerry & Karen Johnson	Marcia Van Wagner
Kupcho-Hawksworth Family	Esther Vigil

Editor Level - \$200 to \$499

Allison Angstadt	Fred & Mary Jo Garrison	Janet Roberts
Anne Constantin Birge	Tom & Sharon Gorley	Shirley Russell
Doug & Mary Brown	Gail Hunt	Ellen Schloenvogt
Connie Burdick	Dan & Cheryl Karleskint	Elena Shroyer
John & Katie Christiansen	Teresa Jacobsen	Lynne Snyder
Bruce & Anne Corbridge	Anne Kilent	Kathy Swift
Gretchen Cypin	Wayne & Cathy Kingston	Wayne & Barbara Vineyard
Tom Derner	Barry & Gay Mackintosh	Lisa Wheeler
Mike & Linda Derosier	Nina Mazzo	Nancy Williams
	Gerald & Gail Mohlenbrok	

Author Level - \$100 to \$199

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Don & Ruth Baylis	Neil & Susan Cochran	Jacqueline Keller	Panneton Family	Karen & Darrell Thomas
Sandy Bishop	Patricia Covey	Christopher Kuka	Jacqueline Pogue	Linda Tinsman
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Janet Cain	Marilyn Johnson	Linda Morley	Penny Serns	Eugene & Gaynell Wytrykus
		Stan & Mary Nader	Terence Smith	

Plus Our Many Anonymous Donors

Businesses & Organizations

Publisher Level - \$500 or More

Lincoln Community Foundation	Saladworks
Lincoln Hills Foundation	SCLH Orchard Creek Book Club
Lincoln Rotary Club Foundation	

Editor Level - \$200 to \$499

Consolidated Communications Foundation
Jensen Smith, CPAs
Lincoln United Methodist Church
Old Town Pizza
Rod & Relics Car Club of Lincoln Hills

Thank You for Supporting the Lincoln Public Library

2024 Board and Committees

2024 Board of Directors



*Front Row: Karen Lindh, Teresa Lai Stanislaw, Dawna Hawksworth, Linda Morley
Back Row: Lynne Rossi, Sharon Gorley, Jeri Chase Ferris, Gloria Pilotti-Irey,
Neil Cochran, Jo Jones (Past President), Linda Derosier*

Officers

President	Teresa Lai Stanislaw
Vice President	Dawna Hawksworth
Secretary	Jeri Chase Ferris
Treasurer	Gloria Pilotti-Irey

Directors

Book Sales	Sharon Gorley
Community Outreach	Linda Derosier
Grants	Neil Cochran
Volunteer & Hospitality	Wanda Melilli
Membership	Linda Morley
Newsletter	Karen Lindh
Social Media	Lynne Rossi

Photographer

Linda Morley

2024 Committees

Financial Review Committee

Karen Lindh, Sharon Gorley and Dianne Fix

Big Day of Giving Committee

*Neil Cochran (Chair)
Sharon Gorley
Karen Lindh
Lynne Rossi
Teresa Lai Stanislaw*

Strategic Planning Committee

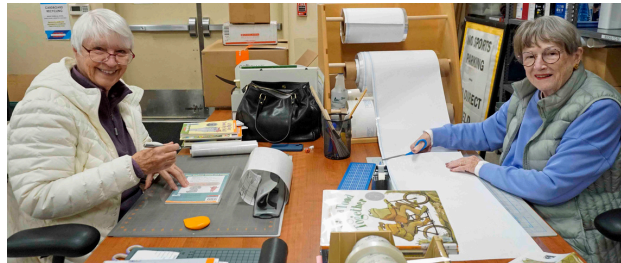
*Dawna Hawksworth (Chair)
Karen Lindh
Teresa Lai Stanislaw
Neil Cochran
Shellie Paiz*

Annual Meeting Committee

*Teresa Lai Stanislaw (Chair)
Sharon Gorley
Marti Loew
Gloria Pilotti-Irey*

2024 Volunteers

In 2024, volunteers provided 11,855 hours helping with library and FOLL activities. Volunteers checked in returned library items, re-shelved books and media, repaired books, took care of plants, processed donated books, restocked the book sale area, staffed community outreach booths, helped with library events and performed other activities.



Volunteers Performing FOLL Activities

In addition to our all-volunteer board, the following volunteers helped with FOLL's fundraising and other activities. Thank you, Volunteers! Together we can do so much.



Virginia Ayala
Adrianne Barnard
Lewis Barnard
Fred Bernstein
Susan Bishop
Cyrenna Burgess
Nancy Calcese
Darla Campbell
Sarah Carroz
Cyndi Colloton
Patty Dawson

Desiree Duncan
Tina Gray
Charlotte Grone
Chuck Grone
Shubhika Grover
Linda Hartman
Cassandra Hawley-
Davis
Lucia Huh
Teresa Jacobsen
Jo Jones
Marilyn Kupcho

Marti Loew
Lela Matthews
Nina Mazzo
Sharon McCall
Denise Merrill
Terry Merrill
Linda Moran
Sally Murad
Mary Nader
Shellie Paiz
Joann Patterson

Jaxson, Cienna
& Joli Powers
Pam Pulley
Paul Radcliffe
Cathie Szabo
Craig Voyles
Jan Voyles
Michelle Voyles
Dennis
Webfield
Betsy Williams
Gene Wytrykus
Carol Yelton



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