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A Warm Welcome to New Board Members

The Foundation would like to welcome our newest board members elected at the June board meeting with terms from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020. Each brings special talents, community connections and enthusiasm for the Library to the board. If you know these special people, please congratulate them and thank them for their commitment of service to our community.

Shelaswau Bushnell Crier received a BA in Mathematics from Rice University and a law degree from Yale. She has been a Professor of Law at Willamette University for nine years. She is very active in the community with schools, scholarship-granting organizations, NAACP and the Oregon Department of Education.

Gina Johnnie is a partner at Sherman Sherman, Johnnie, & Hoyt law firm. Gina has worked with the Salem YWCA, Salem Outreach Shelter and is currently the board chair of the Boys and Girls Club Foundation. She is also active with the Oregon State Bar, Marion County Bar, Mary Leonard Law Society, and regularly hosts continued learning sessions for local attorneys.

James Montgomery is a Realtor and Managing Principal Broker at HomeSmart Realty Group in Salem. James is active in the Salem Association of Realtors (SAR) Board of Directors and President of the SAR Community Fund, which raises money for homeless and disadvantaged area children. He is also Chair of the SAR Membership Outreach and Public Relations Committee.

Ellen Stevens was elected to a third term as a board member. She currently serves on the Foundation Art Committee and is instrumental in the Salem Reads Art Exhibit in partnership with Artists in Action. Ellen and David Wilson, Gallery Director for Bush Barn Art Center, recently completed hanging the Foundation art throughout the Library.



Hamiltunes—a popular program, recently supported by the Foundation.

Want to help?

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The Salem Public Library Foundation is dedicated to generating resources in support of the Salem Public Library. Please consider monthly sustaining gifts, support of special projects, and including the Foundation in your estate plans (Federal Tax ID #93-0799658). More information on donation options is available from Kate Van Ummersen, Executive Director of the Salem Public Library Foundation, at 503-588-6183 or SalemLibraryFoundation@gmail.com.