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Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Elects Board of Trustees Members

(PITTSBURGH, PA – June 20, 2008) Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's Board of Trustees announces the appointment of five new members whose diverse experience in corporate relations, government and finance will help shape the region's library service. Each member was elected to serve a two-year term.

Carolyn Hess Abraham serves as the director of corporate relations at Carnegie Mellon University's Tepper School of Business. She is a founding trustee with the Jewish Women's Foundation of Pittsburgh and has been a chairperson with the Pittsburgh Symphony Society, the United Jewish Federation, the Adat Shalom Congregation and the Jewish Chronicle of Pittsburgh.

Senator Jay Costa, Jr. is serving his third term as state senator for Pennsylvania's 43rd Senatorial District. He is also involved with a variety of civic, community and athletic groups throughout his district, including the University of Pittsburgh, CCAC and Catholic Charities of the Diocese in Pittsburgh.

Representative Dan Frankel is a state representative for Pennsylvania's 23rd Legislative District and an active community leader dedicated to promoting youth, environmental and urban development initiatives. He has served on the United Jewish Federation and the Pittsburgh Convention and Visitor's Bureau. In the state House, Representative Frankel serves as Vice-Chair of the House Insurance and Judiciary Committees and sits on the House Appropriations and Democratic Policy committees.

Susan Jackson is Vice President of Government & Industry Relations and Seafood Sourcing for Del Monte Foods. Since earning her law degree from Duke University in 1990, Ms. Jackson has worked as a private litigator, an Attorney with the H.J. Heinz Company and a Director for StarKist brand tuna. She currently manages Del Monte's government relations at the federal, state and local levels.

Kevin Pickels is a certified public accountant with Ernst & Young. For the past 17 years he has worked with multinational SEC registrants as well as large privately held companies. Mr. Pickels is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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About Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

Building Communities, Enriching Lives

Established as a public trust in 1895, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh serves the citizens of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County with a distinguished history of leadership among the country's great public libraries. Through its 19 neighborhood locations, including Main Library and the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is the region's most visited asset. Each year the Library provides more than 8,000 free programs, classes and other learning and training opportunities that are tailored to meet the dynamic and diverse needs of people living in Western Pennsylvania.

About Libraries *for* LIFE

While Andrew Carnegie provided the seed money to build the library facilities; he did not leave an endowment for their ongoing operations and maintenance. Thanks to local, county and state government, corporations, foundations

and individuals, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's Libraries *for* LIFE Capital Campaign is renewing library buildings to meet the needs of today's library customer. In 2000 Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh embarked upon a \$55 million capital campaign, the first in the Library's history, to make neighborhood libraries accessible system-wide. Since the campaign began, the Library has renovated or relocated six neighborhood libraries and completed a partial renovation of the Main Library, First Floor. The visibility of the completed renovations has brought new vitality, with all locations benefiting from increased visitor and circulation numbers.