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Katie Tucker Trippi

## A Letter of Thanks

**Vice President  
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Jenifer McCartney

Cheers from the Evanston History Center,

**With best wishes to you and yours this new year, I am writing to say thank you for your generous support in 2024!**

**Vice-President  
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Michael Girard

Expressed in a multitude of meaningful ways, your commitment to the Evanston History Center helped us continue our pursuit to educate, inspire and enrich the people of Evanston.

**Secretary**  
Michael Sullivan

Thank you for the time and dollars that made it possible for us to expand our reach and offer much of our public programming for free. Your gifts ensured we had the opportunity to attract new audiences with programs like a family holiday tea, additional historic walking tours and a far-reaching partnership with Chicagoland fashion designers.

**Treasurer**  
Geoffrey Bonn

Equally critical, your contributions strengthened the stewardship of the archives and artifacts of Evanston and allowed for free access to the History Center for educators of District 65.

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**Your support also gave us the runway to think big.**

Guided by our three-year strategic plan developed in partnership with our Board of Trustees, we are working on our sustainability and relevance for years to come.

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**For instance, over the next two years, a journey to share new, inclusive stories will serve as our North Star.**

**Executive Director**  
Deborah Kasindorf

To start: a reinterpretation of our twenty-year-old Milestone exhibit, with an express intent to tell more complete narratives about Evanston and create a learning center for teachers and their young students. This will be a community-based project, extending new partnerships developed over the past year. More to come on this ambitious and exciting initiative.

We will also be reinvigorating our Women's History Project. Moving beyond the past emphasis of the suffragist movement in Evanston, our newly installed Scholar in Residence from the University of Chicago is digging deep into the stories of 20th and 21st century women who worked in healthcare in our region. The related historic movements, breakthroughs, setbacks and societal impacts will be cataloged to enrich our archives, writings and public programs. We hope the result inspires multiple generations of women in Evanston now and in the future.



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**In closing, thank you for valuing our efforts and matching our enthusiasm as we work to make the History Center a hub of greater use and purpose.** I am eager to hear your reaction and input regarding our vision.

With gratitude,

**Deborah Kasindorf**  
**Executive Director**  
**Evanston History Center**