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**“William Pierson to be honored with the 2016 Helen Everett Award”**

The Humboldt Library Foundation (HLF) will present William “Bill” Pierson with the 2016 Helen Everett Award. The award, which recognizes an individual who has contributed to the excellence of the public library, will be presented during the annual HLF Holiday Gala on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Bill is well known for his generous nature and for contributing to a broad spectrum of organizations that support education and the arts in Humboldt County. He has been an enduring and generous contributor to the Humboldt Library Foundation. When asked why he supports the library, Bill said, “Initially, I was so impressed by the community effort to build the new Main Branch – it was such a monument to initiative and looking to the future. But I came to realize it was more than that. What the library contributes to our community is invaluable. It represents the foundation of our civilization and the values we cherish as a nation.”

HLF Board President, Elizabeth Murguia said, “Bill has been a generous and enthusiastic supporter of the Foundation’s effort to support the library over the past twenty years. We are very pleased to recognize his support with the presentation of the Helen Everett Award.”

Bill is a successful businessman, the owner of Pierson Building Center and an accomplished photographer. He considers it a privilege to be able to support the community he loves.

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