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Two distinguished alumni join Carthage Board of Trustees

KENOSHA, Wis. – Carthage College has added highly successful alumni Brian Peccarelli and Cherie Matthaïdëss Robinson to its Board of Trustees, benefiting from their years of wisdom in senior corporate leadership.

Peccarelli, a 1981 Carthage graduate, recently retired as chief operating officer for Thomson Reuters. Robinson, a 2001 graduate, is vice president of human resources for Amazon’s international stores.

“I am delighted to welcome to the board two graduates with extensive experience in global companies and deep family ties to Carthage,” said President John Swallow. “We are extraordinarily fortunate for their support and commitment to Carthage’s future.”

The Board of Trustees has ultimate governing and fiduciary responsibility for the college.

Installed at the board’s October meeting, Peccarelli spent his entire 39-year career growing tax information and software for Toronto-based Thomson Reuters. He remains a director for the company’s charitable foundation, which aims “to advance media freedom, foster more inclusive economies, and promote human rights.”

Six times, trade publication Accounting Today has named Peccarelli one of the 100 most influential people in the field. He is a member of the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy and frequently takes part in panels at the World Economic Forum.

In addition to his undergraduate work, he has a law degree from Hamline University and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. Peccarelli has two adult sons and lives in Plano, Texas, with his wife, Jane.

Robinson will be installed when Carthage trustees reconvene in February. With a passion to lead through others, she has progressively taken on more responsibilities since joining Amazon in 2012. Today, she oversees HR functions for the company’s more than 150,000 international employees.

After completing her undergraduate studies, Robinson worked for more than a decade in HR management at SC Johnson in Racine and earned an MBA from Marquette University. She resides in Seattle with her husband, George, and their four children.

For their professional and civic achievements, both new trustees received the college's Distinguished Alumni Award — Peccarelli in 2022 and Robinson earlier this year.



About Carthage

Carthage College is raising expectations for a private college experience. It blends the best liberal arts traditions with desirable degree programs, transformative learning opportunities, personal attention from distinguished faculty, and a focus on career development, which makes its graduates competitive in the workforce. Carthage has undertaken a \$100 million fundraising campaign, "Light That Travels," to deliver a radiant future for students through access, program innovation, and sustained excellence. Founded in 1847, Carthage is located on an idyllic shore of Lake Michigan in Kenosha, Wisconsin, in the thriving corridor between Milwaukee and Chicago. Grow with us: www.carthage.edu