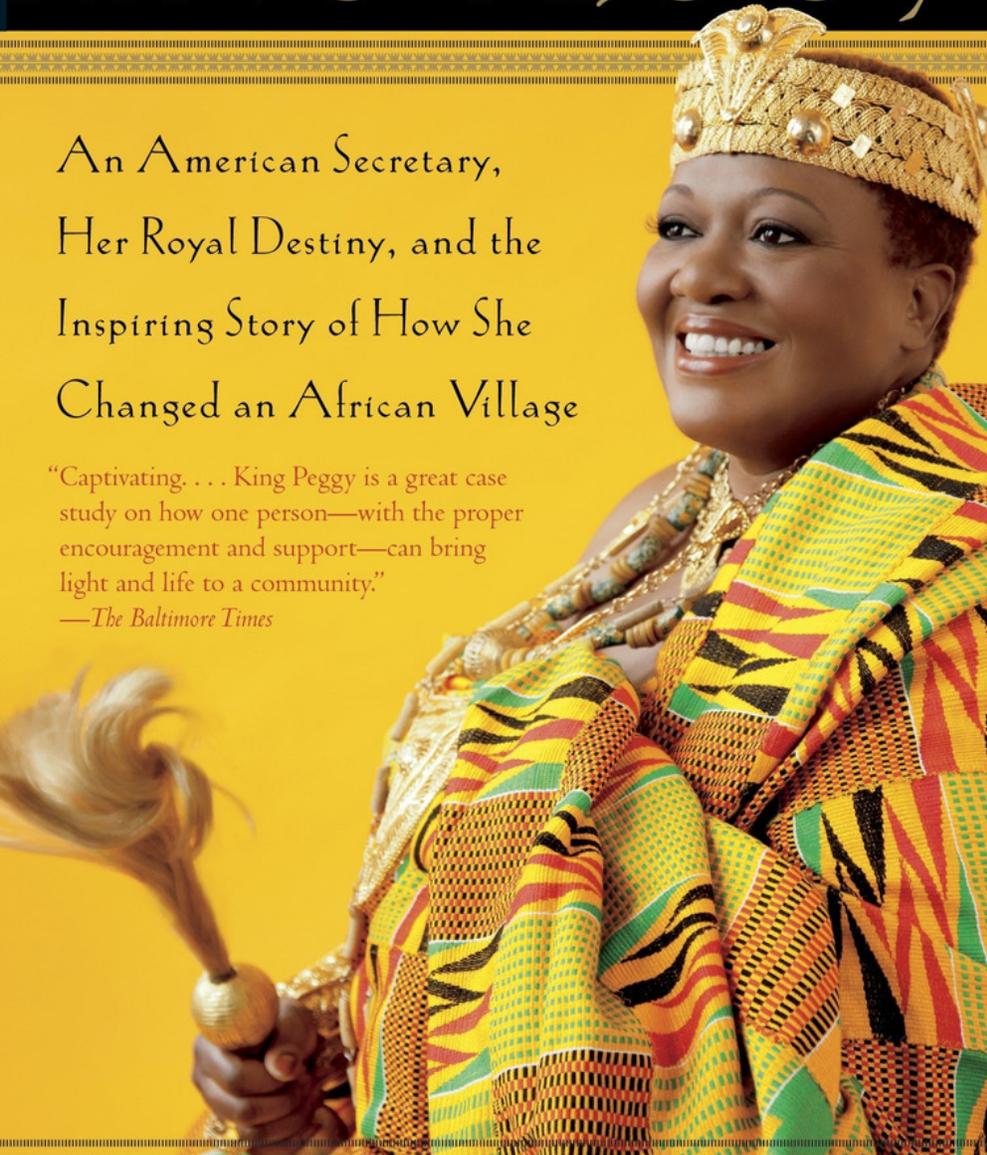


# KING PEGGY

An American Secretary,  
Her Royal Destiny, and the  
Inspiring Story of How She  
Changed an African Village

“Captivating. . . King Peggy is a great case study on how one person—with the proper encouragement and support—can bring light and life to a community.”

—*The Baltimore Times*



Peggelene Bartels and Eleanor Herman



Facilitator



Stephanie Smith, MMC  
City Clerk, Murrieta  
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## **ABOUT THE FACILITATOR:**

Stephanie D. Smith, City Clerk of the City of Murrieta, is a Master Municipal Clerk and serves on the Executive Board of the City Clerk's Association of California. She was recently appointed Murrieta's City Clerk, with nearly 30 years of experience in local government. She has worked for the cities of Paramount, Perris, Lake Forest and Murrieta.

Stephanie holds a Bachelor's Degree in Management and is a 30th Anniversary Year graduate of the Leadership Program through Continuing Education for Public Officials, and is also a graduate of the CEPO Training for Trainers Program.

Stephanie is the author of over 150 published articles on a variety of topics including workplace change initiatives, personnel issues, business management, work/life balance and financial planning.

Stephanie is the past President of the Southern California-Inland Empire Chapter of the Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA), and is a member of the Municipal Management Association of Southern California and Women Leading Government.

Stephanie is currently the President for the California City Clerks Association.

## **ABOUT THE BOOK:**

*King Peggy* chronicles the astonishing journey of American secretary, Peggielene Bartels, who suddenly finds herself king to a town of 7,000 people on Ghana's central coast, half a world away. Upon arriving for her crowning ceremony in beautiful Otum, she discovers the dire reality: there's no running water, no doctor, no high school, and many of the village elders are stealing the town's funds. To make matters worse, her uncle (the late king) sits in a morgue awaiting a proper funeral in the royal palace, which is in ruins. Peggy's first two years as king of Otum unfold in a way that is stranger than fiction. In the end, a deeply traditional African town is uplifted by the ambitions of its decidedly modern female king, and Peggy is herself transformed, from an ordinary secretary to the heart and hope of her community.

## **REGISTRATION**

\$75 w/ box lunch

Limit of 30 participants

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3 CMC/MMC points upon completion  
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