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Author Judy Flynn to Discuss New Book “Gumboots, Lesson Plans and Hot Rugby Nights”

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego Public Library will host an author talk with Judy Flynn on Monday, Aug. 28 at 6:30 p.m., in the Second Floor Meeting Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E St. in downtown San Diego. This event is FREE to the public.

Explore New Zealand, savor the cuisine of this island nation and experience the culture and lifestyle of the locals. Author of “Gumboots, Lesson Plans and Hot Rugby Nights – New Beginnings in New Zealand,” Judy accepted a position in New Zealand to teach English to Asian students. It was a metamorphosis for the author, a 30-year veteran of corporate America.

Her book weaves in anecdotes related to the trials and tribulations of maintaining a bi-coastal relationship, found friendships with Kiwis and her students, as well as tidbits about the culture, the cuisine, the Kiwi lifestyle and Maori legends. It’s a must read for anyone thinking of making a career transition or interested in an overseas adventure, and especially for those who are curious about this small island country. Besides being a fun read, it is thought provoking and filled with some wonderful recipes from New Zealand’s own style of cuisine described as *Pacific Fusion*, a blend of exquisite flavors from neighboring tropical islands, reflecting the large Polynesian population.

Judy was born and raised in San Francisco. After achieving the position of vice president of finance for a stock brokerage firm, she returned to school for an MBA. While attending the University of Southern California, she married and has lived in Southern California ever since. Born with wanderlust, she has traveled the world for both business and pleasure with friends and family. After a multi-faceted business career in the areas of finance, strategic planning and acquisitions, that spanned 30 years, Judy chose to transition to a new challenge – teaching abroad. She combined her love of travel with this newfound vocation and found her first teaching position in New Zealand.

Judy Flynn will be available for book signing right after the presentation. For more information, call the Central Library at 619-236-5800 or visit the San Diego Public Library at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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