Two Fascinating Biographies On Tap for Carter Author Program
“Rose Kennedy” & “The Prince of Medicine”

Atlanta, GA.- We have two fascinating biographies lined up for the Carter Library Author Lecture Program in August.

On Tuesday, August 6th, Barbara Perry will discuss her new book, “Rose Kennedy: The Life and Times of a Political Matriarch.” The following night, Wednesday, August 7th, we’ll go back in history with Susan Mattern for a look at “The Prince of Medicine: Galen in the Roman Empire.” Both programs begin at 7:00 pm in the Carter Museum Theater. They are free, open to the public and will be followed by a book signing. A Cappella Books will have copies of the books available for purchase and signing.

In her compelling and intimate portrait, presidential historian Barbara A. Perry captures Rose Kennedy’s essential contributions to the incomparable Kennedy dynasty. This biography—the first to draw on an invaluable cache of Rose’s newly released diaries and letters—unearths the complexities behind the impeccable persona she showed the world. Perry, a well-known authority on the Kennedys, is a Senior Fellow in the Presidential Oral History Program at the University of Virginia’s Miller Center.

Trey Grayson, the Director of the Institute of Politics at Harvard University says “Barbara Perry's story of Rose Kennedy will likely become the definitive biography of one of the most important women of the 20th century.”

Then join us on Wednesday, August 7th for Susan P. Mattern, author and professor of history at the University of Georgia. Her new book, “The Prince of Medicine: Galen in the Roman Empire” has been described as "A fascinating and lively biography of an ancient Greek doctor who settled in Rome as an imperial physician. Using much newly discovered information, Dr. Mattern sets Galen's career against the background of the Roman Empire at the height of its prosperity." (Vivian Nutton, University College London).

Publishers Weekly calls it a "[M]eticulous and engaging biography... Mattern's rigorous scholarship also unveils the rich, vivid layers of Galen's life and times, and Galen's own words paint a portrait of an astounding physician whose motivation was 'not fame or wealth' but 'the love of mankind.'"

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