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NEWS UPDATE

TO: Library Friends
FROM: Linda Fitzpatrick, President, Board of Directors
RE: Funding for Sundays at the Library a Success!
DATE: June 2013

AUTHOR'S GALA

I am delighted to report that the San Mateo Public Library Foundation's recent Author's Gala held on May 4 was a marvelous success. With the leadership of the Foundation's auxiliary, the Literary Society, and Event Co-Chairs Pam Casey and

Michele Freed, the Main Library's sweeping atrium was transformed into an elegant French themed setting for friends, guests and corporate sponsors.

The evening began with a catered dinner followed by a lively auction and Fund-A-Need. With Master of Ceremonies, Carolyn Johnson, ABC News7 anchor, and friend, Rafe Brown enlivening the room, guests made generous bids to support one of the Library's most pressing needs and the community's most passionate desire — keeping the Main Library open each Sunday during the summer months and as well as all Sundays throughout the year.

OPEN ON SUNDAY

Since 2009, the San Mateo Public Library has had to close its doors to patrons every Sunday during the summer months as well as all Sundays preceding Monday holidays as part of budget reductions. This has been a significant hardship to families that depend on the Library for entertainment and education, business professionals and entrepreneurs who utilize Library resources for energizing their endeavors, and children and teens for whom the relaxed Sunday pace offers opportunities to find a cozy corner for reading and discovery.

With the success of the Gala fundraising effort, the Foundation is thrilled to be able to report that the Main Library will be open every day of the week in 2013-14.

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP

Your support will insure that exciting programs and events that you've come to enjoy happen each and every day at the Library.

Help make the San Mateo Public Library a destination for children, teens and families all year. Please send your contribution in the enclosed envelope today! Thank you!

Be a part of making every day at the Library a place to discover, enjoy, connect and learn!

