

# The BOOKMARK

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## GROUNDBREAKING!!!

**A**lthough the skies were gray and the wind was cold, the 250 attendees at the February 24 ground-breaking ceremony for the new Redwood Shores Library radiated pure sunshine. Mother, fathers, children, grandparents, community members, and dogs, along with many local officials, library staff, members of the Library Foundation, the library's architects, and construction personnel cheered as Mayor Barbara Pierce climbed aboard a loader and dumped the first shovel of dirt for what will become the state-of-the-art jewel of the newest library in Redwood City's library system.

Billy James, Library Board President, thanked the entire community of Redwood City for their generous involvement in helping bridge the two communities via the new library. Vice-Mayor Rosanne Foust welcomed the crowd and presented awards to the four Top Readers of the Annual School Force! Reading Power Read-A-Thon at Sandpiper Elementary School. A check for \$52,360, the result of Redwood Shores citizens digging deep into their pockets and RSCA matching their efforts, was presented by Michael Whatmore, President of the Redwood Shores Community Association to Cheryl Angeles, Vice President of the Library Foundation. This money will be used to help purchase books and related materials for the new library that is planned to open in 2008.



Mayor Pierce Delivers



Top Readers from Sandpiper School



Vice-Mayor Foust Welcomes Crowd



Young Library Patrons

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## REDWOOD SHORES HITS THE MARK IN MATCHING

Last November, the Redwood Shores Community Association (RSCA) generously agreed to match, dollar-for-dollar, all funds donated by Redwood Shores residents through December 31st, up to a total of \$50,000 (individual personal gifts being matched up to \$1,000), for the Opening Day Collection for the new Redwood Shores library.

Redwood Shores residents rose to the challenge and fully utilized 100%-plus of the \$50,000 matching funds made available by RSCA. At the official Redwood Shores Library groundbreaking ceremony, held on February 24th, RSCA presented a \$52,360 check to the Library Foundation, representing the matching amount of gifts made by Redwood Shores residents through December 31st and beyond! RSCA generously agreed to match gifts that met the time deadline but that went beyond the \$50,000 goal.

The progress being made in the public phase of the Opening Day Collection Campaign, which benefits the new Redwood Shores Library, is presently at 34% of the \$500,000 goal, much of which has been donated by Redwood Shores residents.

The Library Foundation is deeply appreciative of this significant support from RSCA and Redwood Shores residents.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Redwood City and the Redwood City Public Library value our community's youth. There really is nothing more important than our children's health and well-being—they are our future! It is such a pleasure to see how our library supports the literacy and educational needs of our children. It also is gratifying to see such support from our City Council, Library Board, and Library Foundation.

Walking through the wonderful, newly remodeled Family Place, I was so pleased to see through the glass doors of our program room 20 moms and 20 babies learning about the power of stories, songs, and play. Our Family Place is a city treasure that celebrates reading and reading together. Every day we host storytimes for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and families. Our Traveling Storytime, funded by the Library Foundation, engages volunteers to read stories weekly to an adopted preschool or day care center. Currently we are serving 60 day cares and/or preschools, many of which do not have books in their facilities! Every research study proves that reading at an early age is the

most important skill to give a child—that it is the key indicator for success in school and life.

We also help support our students' academic success. Whether it is in our after-school homework centers; using the library's print and digital resources, or our new online tutoring service; or engaging with our library-school shared district librarian, we are part of the City and schools' support network. Our ProjectREAD services include assisting in the classroom and arranging one-on-one tutoring with elementary kids.

But it is the teenagers of our community that need our support. We have to provide meaningful and safe spaces and programs for our teens. Every time we ask them what they want from the library, they repeatedly say a space of our own. Although we are providing homework support for our teens, and intervention through our Kids in Partnership program for our most at risk youth, we still have a way to go in creating spaces where teens can use computers, talk, and study together; spaces that give them independence within a safe, supervised environment. If we can get our youth to connect with the library, they will feel connected to the community, and they will likely succeed in life.

*Dave Genesy  
Library Director*

## MEET OUR BOARD

Rouslana Yaroslavsky has been in the airline business, freight forwarding, and travel industry for about 10 years. She has studied in Prague and Bratislava and earned her PhD in European History of the Middle Ages from Moscow State University as well as an Associate Degree in Travel from Foothill College in Los Altos. Rouslana has worked for various travel tour operator companies in Pakistan, Spain, and Italy. In addition to English she is fluent in Russian and Czech. She has traveled extensively throughout Thailand, Arab Emirates, Tunisia, Morocco, and numerous other parts of the world and is an ICTA (Institute of Certified Travel Agents) destination specialist for the South Pacific, Caribbean, and Hawaii. Rouslana specializes in family travel, cruises, and custom independent vacation packages. She is a member of the San Mateo Redwood City Chamber of Commerce.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Momentum has been building for the Redwood Shores Library Campaign during the past few months. Between the launch of the public phase of the campaign, the matching grant from the Redwood Shores Community Association, the long-awaited

Groundbreaking Ceremony, and the recent Silent Auction hosted by the Pacific Athletic Club, the past six months have seen a flurry of activity. You can read more about each of these events in other parts of this newsletter.

A special thank you goes to the many volunteers who have made these activities a success and to the many supporters who have made significant contributions to ensure that the new library opens with a first-rate collection of books and related materials.

This strong interest in and support of the new Redwood Shores Library is indicative of the special place the library holds for Redwood City residents. If you have not had the opportunity to do so, I would encourage you to visit the Downtown Library or any of the branches, especially in the afternoon and early evenings. Inside you will find a cross-section of our community engaged in research, enjoying programs, attending community meetings, sipping coffee in the outdoor café, obtaining help with homework, perusing the DVDs, being tutored by a volunteer, or checking out a stack of books. The library is truly a gathering place and is a focal point for community wide activities.

The efforts of the Foundation Board have certainly been focused on the Redwood Shores Library campaign recently; however, we are ever mindful that the Foundation supports all the libraries in Redwood City—Downtown, Schaberg, and Fair Oaks, in addition to the Shores library. Each year we recognize our donors in the spring issue of the *Bookmark*, for their ongoing commitment to the Redwood City Library. We are truly touched by the generosity of our supporters from throughout Redwood City and the surrounding communities. Your contributions allow us to maintain programs such as Traveling Storytime and the Teen Homework Center, both of which have added significantly to the wonderful services offered by the Library and enriched the lives of the children they help. The Foundation also has an ongoing campaign to purchase new books for all the branches. No doubt you will soon be hearing about other new projects that are currently being considered.

We are always in need of funds to keep these fine programs running and hope that you will consider making a contribution to support these and other endeavors of the Redwood City Library Foundation. Through your support, we can keep the library a vibrant place that continues to meet the needs of our entire community.



*Mario Rendón  
President*

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