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Black White and Read Gala - High Style Hollywood Glamour @ your Library

Harford County Public Library (HCPL) Foundation will host its annual gala, *Black White and Read, an Evening in the Stacks*, on November 1, 2008. In its 4th year, this year's gala guarantees an evening of high style and glamour.

"This year's theme, *Black White and Read*, showcases classic literature and films of the early to mid 20 century Hollywood and guests will feel like a star from the moment they arrive," stated Janine Lis, Marketing Manager

The Abingdon Branch, located at 2510 Tollgate Road, will be transformed for the evening. Live music will be provided by the Freddie Stevens Band. Food selections themed around classic novels and films will be provided by Carried Away Gourmet and Bottleworks will have a signature drink to compliment the evening's theme. Cheese selections will be available from Brooms Bloom, Bliss will be offering a selection of desserts, and coffee will be provided by Coffee Coffee. Guests will have the opportunity to participate in both a silent and live auction.

"This year's gala will be another wonderful evening full of great food, music and surprises for our guests. We are grateful to the business community for their sponsorship of the event," states Terry Hanley, Foundation Board President.

Headlining sponsors for this year's gala are The Aegis, Comcast, The Examiner, Richardson's Florist, Verizon and WXCY. Premiere sponsors are APG Federal Credit Union, Celebree Learning Centers, Jarrettsville Builders, FastFrame, LPGA, and PNC Bank. Supporting sponsors for the event are BB&T Bank, Baker & Taylor, Broom's Bloom Dairy, Bonefish Grill, Clark Turner Signature Homes, Coffee Coffee, Edmeades & Stromdahl, Flowers by Bauers, Frank Hajek & Associates, Freedom Federal Credit Union, Gale Cengage Learning, Gessner, Snee, Mahoney & Lutche, PA, HAR-CO Federal Credit Union, Independent Can Company, Innovative Exchange, Inc., Richard & Susan Kinard, Library Interiors, Luciano's Entertainment, Recorded Books, Ronald Parker, PA, Select Event Rentals, Skylight Creative Ideas, Slavia Federal Savings Bank, Smith Barney, Edmund & Lucie Snodgrass, Testerman Electric, and Van Deusen Construction.

Tickets for the *Black White and Read* Library Foundation Gala are \$75 per person and available online at HCPLonline.info; the Library Administrative Office at 410-273-5600, 410-838-3749 or 410-575-6761.

The Harford County Public Library Foundation is a 501© 3 charitable organization dedicated to enhancing Harford County Public Library services. The Foundation raises funds to augment the financial resources of the Library and works to promote awareness of library services. The Foundation facilitates the library's development as a creative environment within the county that encourages the acquisition of knowledge and the love of reading for all customers. For more information call 410 273 5601 x 2283.

Harford County Public Library operates eleven branches located throughout Harford County, Maryland. The library serves over 180,000 registered borrowers of all ages and has an annual circulation of over 4,000,000. The mission of Harford County Public Library is to provide access, service and information to the citizens of Harford County anytime, anywhere and to create an environment that encourages the acquisition of knowledge and the love of reading.

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*Photo caption #1 Black White and **Read** Library Gala, November 1st at the Abingdon Branch of the Harford County Public Library.*