



HCPL Foundation board member Jamilla Mettee (left) and John Mettee IV, president of Frederick Ward Associates, enjoy Harford County Public Library Foundation's 21st annual gala.



Enjoying Harford County Public Library Foundation's 21st annual gala at the Abingdon Library were (from left) Jennifer Tilley, executive director of the Community Foundation of Harford County, Andrea Kirk, managing partner at Ameriprise Financial Services, and Michael Kirk, senior principal at Software Engineer-Research Innovations, Inc.



Robin Sommer, CEO of Mid Atlantic Photographic LLC, is joined by photographer Bill Rettburg, Betsy Campion, founder & president of Campion Insurance, and Kevin Campion, vice president of Campion Insurance.

## HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION'S 21ST ANNUAL GALA RAISES \$100K FOR RESOURCES, SERVICES, PROGRAMS

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**H**arford County Public Library Foundation's 21st annual gala, "Epic Rewind: Eighties in the Stacks," raised \$100,000 net the evening of Nov. 1 at the Abingdon Library. The gala, attended by 650 guests, is the library's largest fundraiser. Proceeds

support programs for early literacy, STEM resources, internet access and community programs across Harford County. The Presenting Sponsors were Klein's ShopRite of Maryland and Saxon's Diamond Centers.

This year's gala celebrated HCPL's 80th anniversary with a 1980s-themed

event that provided an unforgettable evening of food, music and nostalgic decor. Guests danced the night away to the ultimate 80s tribute band, The New Romance, while enjoying a menu from Matsuri Sushi, Vagabond Sandwich Company, Evolved Catering & Events, Coffee Coffee and more.

"The 21st annual gala was an epic night celebrating the Library's 80th anniversary with awesome music, movies, games, culture and all around fun," HCPL CEO Mary Hastler said. "A big thank you to our sponsors, volunteers and all who love and support the Library."



Enjoying Harford County Public Library Foundation's 21st annual gala at the Abingdon Library were (from left) David Patzer, senior vice president of Harford Bank, Colleen Patzer, a fifth grade teacher at Abingdon Elementary, Carla Mattioli, associate vice president and marketing director at Harford Bank, and Michael Uebelacker, director of US Operations-Kubik.



From left: Erin Huang, owner of LaBellevie, Howard Huang, president & CEO of Ignitec, Inc., and Sandi Tunney, vice president of American Design & Build attend Harford County Public Library Foundation's 21st annual gala November 1 at the Abingdon Library.



HCPL CEO Mary Hastler (center) is joined by Ella Benson (left), a student at Harford Community College, and Heather Benson of Fuller & Associates.



From left: Carolyn Lambdin, president of the Morris A. and Clarisse B. Mechanic Foundation and a member of the HCPL Board of Trustees, is joined by Joe Lambdin, treasurer of the Morris A. and Clarisse B. Mechanic Foundation, James Lambdin, president and CEO of Lambdin Development Company and Anna Lambdin, a community volunteer, at HCPL Foundation's 21st annual gala.