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Celebrating Our Milestones-Library Gala
180 Years of Books, History & Community
Honoring

Wayne D. Wisbaum, Grosvenor Award Winner
 &
 Chauncey Hamlin and the Hamlin Family

Friday, December 2, 2016
 6:30 - 10:30 p.m. Downtown Central
 Library, One Lafayette Square, Buffalo

Enjoy a full-course, sit-down dinner, music, cocktails,
 fantastic auction items, dancing & more!
 Black Tie, Valet Parking, Must be 21 and over

Proceeds to benefit the Library's Rare Books & Special Collections and
 Children's Programming in all 37 Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries.

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Celebrating 180 Years of Library Services Fundraising Gala

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On Friday, December 2, 2016, the downtown Central Library will play host to **“Celebrating Our Milestones: 180 Years of Books, History & Community”** fundraising Gala. Over 200 guests are expected to attend and will help to raise funds for children’s programs in all 37 Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries and the Library’s Rare Books and Special Collections.

Longtime Library supporter and community leader Wayne D. Wisbaum will receive the inaugural Grosvenor (pronounced Grove –nerr) award – a crystal medallion, for his ongoing philanthropic work on behalf of local libraries. *(See attached photo.)*

A Senior Partner in the Buffalo law firm of Kavinoky Cook LLP; Mr. Wisbaum is a Trustee of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System, Vice Chairman of the Library Foundation and Commissioner of Rare Books for Erie County. Known throughout the region for his numerous humanitarian efforts, Mr. Wisbaum is past Chairman of the Board of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra; Chairman Emeritus for Life of the Board of Kleinhans Music Hall, as well as having held directorships with dozens of local charities and nonprofit organizations including the Buffalo Zoological Society, Artpark, The Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies and Daemen College.

The legacy of Chauncey Hamlin (1881-1963), who was the leading civic benefactor responsible for obtaining the 197 books known as the **Milestones of Science Collection**, will be honored at the Gala with Hamlin descendants being acknowledged.

The Milestones Gala is presented by the Library Foundation of Buffalo & Erie County. Sponsors are Buffalo Business First, The Buffalo News, Bond Schoeneck & King, BlueCross BlueShield of WNY, Kavinoky Cook LLP, Hadley Exhibits Inc., Praxair, Webster Szanyi LLP, Janet & Wayne Wisbaum, Anne & Daniel Leary, Lockhouse Distillery and Hodgson Russ LLP.

The Gala is unique in that it takes place in the downtown Central Library and includes a cocktail reception, full-course, sit-down dinner, live entertainment, tours of the Library's Milestones of Science exhibition, live and silent auctions and more. Some of the featured auction items include: an exclusive Wine Tasting and Dinner with Buffalo News Publisher Warren Colville; a Family Fun package with skiing, Disney passes, Canalside ice skating and Fisher-Price toys; a Lake Erie Chartered Sailing Cruise with a catered lunch; a hand quilted fabric collage inspired by Johannes Vermeer's "Woman Writing a Letter;" and fine art replicas of prints from the Library's Buffalo history and rare collections.

Gala Planning committee members are Rosemary Alberico, Carly Battin, Anne Conable, Jack Connors, Maureen Germaine, Frank Housh, Esq., Mary Jean Jakubowski, Anne Leary, Katie Meyer, David H. More, Christina Pearl, Rhonda Ricks, PhD, Joy M. Testa Cinquino, and Teresa Vincent.

For more details about the Celebrating Our Milestones Gala, please call 716-858-7197 or visit: <https://ways2give.buffalolib.org/celebrating-our-milestones-gala>.

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