



## TOWN OF LOS GATOS

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# Press Release

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### **LOS GATOS LIBRARY: SHINING FOR A YEAR!**

**Los Gatos, CA** – On February 11, 2012, the doors to the new Los Gatos library opened to welcome a crowd of thousands over the two-day celebration. One year later, the Town is planning a week-long celebration to mark the library's first anniversary.

Beginning on Sunday, February 10, the anniversary program features a special event each day (see attached program). Highlights include children's author, Brenda Ehrmantraut, presented in partnership with *Silicon Valley Reads*; an evening reception to thank the community for its contributions to the new library; and an afternoon of poetry with the Town's new Poet Laureate, Erica Goss.

In its first year, the new library has drawn significant numbers of patrons: new library cards have increased 170%; reference questions are up 77%; material circulation is up 70%; and 51% more visitors have come through the doors. Most afternoons, dozens of teens are studying and socializing in the Teen Room, and children and their parents occupy every space on the floor for storytime. Adults have found their favorite spots to read, relax, or take advantage of the many computers.

The new Los Gatos library has fulfilled expectations of being a center for life-long learning and a community gathering place. The Town invites the community to celebrate this shining new facility on its first anniversary.

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