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Pictured above: HCL Director, Nick Wilzcek with HLF Secretary, Peter LaVallee

"Humboldt Library Foundation Presents Library \$33,000"

The Humboldt Library Foundation recently gave \$33,000 to the Humboldt County Library. The check was presented to Humboldt County Director of Library Services, Nick Wilczek.

"The Humboldt Library Foundation's financial support plays a huge role in the success of the library," noted Mr. Wilczek. "This most recent grant of \$33,000 is a tremendous asset to our community; the money allows us to continually build our Adult Nonfiction collection, greatly increase the number of movies available for kids and families and purchase a new microfilm reader for researchers and genealogists." He added, "I'd like to offer a heartfelt 'Thank you' to the Humboldt Library Foundation."

As part of its annual grants program to the library, the HLF check targets three specific areas identified by librarians. The grant includes \$13,500 for Adult Nonfiction, \$7,500 for a new microfiche reader and \$12,000 for updating the Children's Film Collection. Contributions to HLF come from individuals, businesses and organizations in support of the popular *Buy a Book Campaign*, board and gala sponsorships, and gifts given in memory and honor of a friend or family member.

"We know the public library helps to fuel young minds, supports families and inspires the imagination of every age," said Elizabeth Murguia, President of the Humboldt Library Foundation. "This year HLF made grants to the library totaling \$68,000 to help expand these opportunities. We've provided \$25,000 for Children's Non-Fiction, \$10,000 to make sure new adult fiction and non-fiction titles are in all branch libraries, and now we've upped the ante by another \$33,000 to include adult non-fiction, a microfiche reader and kid's movies," she added.

Since its inception in 1996, HLF has issued grants to the library totaling over \$1.1 million.

Contributions to the Humboldt Library Foundation enrich the lives of our community's families, students and seniors. Donations can be made easily through the Internet at <u>www.humboldtlibraryfoundation.org</u> where you can participate in the popular Buy a Book campaign, become a member of the Board of Sponsors or attend HLF events (check the calendar online).

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