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## **Hillsborough Auxiliary to Community Gatepath Raises \$300,000 at Gala**

**Burlingame, Calif. (May 12, 2008)** — On Saturday, May 10 the Hillsborough Auxiliary to Community Gatepath held their *That's Amore!* gala to benefit children and adults with disabilities served by Community Gatepath. Christine Krolik, Vice Mayor of the Town of Hillsborough, was the emcee for the evening and kicked off the event with a beautiful rendition of Dean Martin's classic hit with tenor Brian Delehanty. The festivities continued with an incredible tap dance performance by T. Jack Foster. The light-hearted event also featured fine dining, dancing and music by the Ron Borelli Orchestra.

More than 370 tickets were purchased for this year's event. Thanks to the generosity of guests, more than \$115,000 was raised that night for children and adults with disabilities, bringing the total for the event to nearly \$300,000. About a quarter of the total was raised from nine live auction packages alone, which included amazing getaways to New Zealand, Mexico, Santa Fe, Telluride and Hawaii as well as exclusive party packages like "The Ultimate Oktoberfest for the Car Lover," which includes a VIP tour of the The Candy Store, a private car collector's haven.

Proceeds from the event benefit Community Gatepath, the largest non profit in San Mateo County serving people with disabilities, reaching more than 6,700 individuals annually. Gatepath offers Early Intervention Services, Learning Links Preschool, a Family Resource Center, Transition Services for Young Adults, Employment Placement and Training and Senior Day Services. Because of Community Gatepath, participants have the opportunity to attend school, work, socialize and vote; they can take an active role in their communities.

The Hillsborough Auxiliary to Community Gatepath has been dedicated to supporting Gatepath in fostering hope, dignity and independence among children and adults with disabilities. The Auxiliary prides themselves on their active involvement with Gatepath participants and fundraising for the Agency. The approximately 75 active members donated over 4,000 volunteer hours last year towards their Resale Shop, summer and holiday parties for Gatepath participants, and fundraising events.

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