

Dear Friend:

At the Fleet's Gala fundraiser [The Magic of Wine](#), 10th grader and emerging community leader Alexa Campos gave a compelling speech to a rapt audience of 220 Fleet supporters.

The crowd was gathered on Saturday, May 11 in the beautifully transformed Fleet galleries thanks to the hard work of the **Gala**

Committee and **The Magic of Wine Co-Chairs, Loreen Collins, Howard Appel, and Gary Parker**, Founder of the WineSellar & Brasserie. Adding to the "magic" was an exceptional wine-paired dinner curated **Gary Parker** and renowned **Chef Andrew Spurgin**.



Lori Parker and Gary Parker, Gala Co-Chair and Founder of the WineSellar & Brasserie.



Howard Appel and Loreen Collins, Gala Co-Chairs

played in her life. Through 52 Weeks of Science, Alexa has had the opportunity to learn skills in communication, event planning, and coalition building.

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Adult Recess: 21+
Night at the Fleet
 Free for Luminary Members

Grownups! You get the science center all to yourself (no kids allowed!) to explore exhibits, enjoy an adult beverage and rock out to music on Saturday nights. This is your chance to take over the Fleet's newest exhibition, Pause|Play. This world-premiere exhibition features adult-sized recess activities where you can zip down a 31-foot-long slide that clocks your speed, dig into augmented-reality sandboxes and shoot

She used those skills to express the importance of the partnership between the Fleet Science Center and the Barrio Logan neighborhood in connecting the community to the power of science. Moved by her speech, the guests, including members of the Fleet's **Board of Trustees, Advisory Council, and Honorary Committee** who had made the event possible, raised their auction paddles to contribute to 52 Weeks of Science and the Fleet's other county-wide STEM programs.

Thanks to all of them, The Magic of Wine was able to raise more than \$200,000 in crucially needed support for our programs. Also part of the effort was our very generous **Presenting Sponsor, the Dr. Seuss Fund**, honoring the memory of **Audrey Geisel**, and our terrific event sponsors **Audrey Viterbi and Dan Smargon, Nancy Robertson, Carol and Jeff Chang and Chuck and Judy Wheatly**. A special thank you also goes to [Destinations in Paradise](#) for donating a luxury trip that was the highlight of the live auction.

My deepest appreciation goes to our wonderful Magic of Wine Co-Chairs, Committee and Sponsors. And, on behalf of our Board, Staff, Donors, and Friends, I want to thank Alexa Campos. Our work has purpose because of your commitment to envisioning a better future for your community and ensuring that the Fleet has a role to play as a strategic partner in Barrio Logan.

Sincerely,



Steve Snyder, Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer

hoops while hampered by distortion lenses. So, leave the kids at home and let your curiosity run wild exploring the Fleet! Food is also available for purchase, as well as a no-host bar.

Fleet Science Center
7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

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