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Library Associates receive complimentary copies of the quarterly newsletter *Bene Legere*, as well as invitations to special occasions at the Library. For more information on the Library Associates program, please write or telephone: The Library Development Office, Room 188 Doe Library, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720-6000; telephone (510) 642-9377. Or, check our website.

ISABEL ALLENDE FEATURED AT LIBRARY ASSOCIATE'S ANNUAL DINNER

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On Thursday evening, November 11, 1999, a festive crowd gathered in the Morrison Library for the Library Associates' Dinner, our annual "thank you" to Library donors for their interest and support. Chancellor Robert Berdahl greeted the guests and reminded us all once again about how the well-being of the Library contributes to the strength of the University.



Sheryl '67 and Bob Wong '68 in conversation with author lsabel Allende at the annual Library Associates' dinner. Sheryl is president of the Library Advisory Board.

The highlight of the evening was a presentation by

Chilean-born writer, Isabel Allende, who discussed the very personal approach that she uses in researching and developing her work. Using anecdotes about creating *Aphrodite* and *Daughter of Time*, her two most recent works, she entertained the audience about how the loves and losses of her life are incorporated into her work.

Attracted by good food, stimulating speakers, and the traditional atmosphere of the Morrison Library, it was a memorable evening for the almost 200 guests.

CARL G. ROSBERG READING ROOM

Early this spring the *Carl G. Rosberg Reading Room* opened in Doe Library. Housing a collection of current and retrospective non-circulating serial collections in political science, economics, and area studies, the Rosberg Reading Room is an integral part of the Government and Social Science Information Service in Doe Library. The room celebrates the memory of Carl Rosberg, distinguished Professor of Political Science and Director of the Institute of International Studies. The room is open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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