



Presidents Message

New Year ~ New Friends



Marjory Hopper, 'Chef Teri', Deana Ruggieri & GROWTH girls.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

It's a wonderful time for all of us to be grateful for all we've been blessed with ~ family and friends and of course health.

You as members of the Woman's Club of Hollywood have blessed the Club by continuing to be members, attending our meetings, and bring friends who may become members in the future. You know the saying 'People helping people' that's what occurs here at our wonderful club every day of the year thanks to your support.

As we all look back on 2007, we've had some wonderful programs and

Philanthropy

Getting involved in the giving - Meetings 1st Wednesday each month

We had so much fun decorating the tree at our last meeting. The clubhouse was filled with friends, joyful music, and good cheer, not to mention a little eggnog and cookies to help us along our merry way.



Deana, Lily, Jeri, Teri & Sophia

As you know we meet on the first Wednesday of each month and so look forward to hearing of the charities that are closest to your heart and how we

we're going to have more outstanding programs in the new year. This month we're honored to have Eldon Quick give us 'The Iliad' live. You won't want to miss Eldon in this performance as he brings this famous poet to life before our very eyes.

We also are planning another Celebrity Luncheon or perhaps a 'Celebrity Night', where we would have more than one celebrity helping us to raise monies for our charities. I can say that 2008 is looking to outshine 2007 with all the hard work of the Board and the members.

We are proud of our Club and I know a lot of the success is due to the hard work of the Board, the Office Staff and those that help keep the club beautiful inside and out. This they all do to show members we want the best for them.

So get ready for an exciting year. Your part is to come to all the meetings and bring a friend or maybe two. Thank you for having me as your President. I will honor that and do my best to live up to that honor.

Stay healthy and happy,
President
Laura Adams

might raise more funds to support our favorite charities to help the people who find themselves in less fortunate situations than our selves.

Each meeting we seem to be adding new members to help us in our tasks. This charity fundraising is an important part of our Club work and we seem to be so lucky that along the way we are building new friendships and commitments to carrying on the legacy of those pioneering women of 1905. May it always be so.

Philanthropy Chair
Jeri Pittman

Calendar of Events

January

Club Luncheon
Wednesday 1/9
11:30 - 2:00 \$20.

BPW Luncheon
Sunday 1/13
1:00 - 3:00 \$25.

Opera Reading
Sunday 1/20
12:00 - 3:00 \$21.

Magdalene Circle
Sunday 1/20
1:30 - 3:30 \$5

Board Meeting
Wednesday 1/23
10:30 - 12:00

Time Machine ~ Play
Featuring Franco Calabrese

Opening Evening
Friday 1/25
\$10. Members
8:00

GROWTH ART RECEPTION
Sunday 1/27
1:30 - 4:00

Pen Women
3rd Sunday Every Month
1:30 - 3:00pm

Troopers
2nd Sunday Every month
Dinner & Show
Time 6:30 \$10.

Membership

Get involved by involving your friends

This is a new year full of exciting potential. Our club is growing stronger in numbers and personality. We have a number of committees that you are welcome to sit in on or join to help in the volunteer efforts. If you would like further information on how to get involved this year you may contact Marjory Hopper at [mjhop6334@aol.com](mailto:mjhopp6334@aol.com) and ask about the different committees. Or look for your board members at the next luncheon. Committees are now forming and they would love to tell you about them.



Julie Harding, Arthur Susser & Nina Van Tassell

Look for this newsletter every month in the mail and over the e-mail for things to do and be apart of at the Woman's Club of Hollywood. We have a rich history for over 100 years and we want you to become a part of that history over the next 100 years.

Get involved and bring a friend! Our strength and ability to serve our community comes in numbers. Annual membership is only \$50 and goes to support the Woman's Club and its many charities.



Friends Moni Wilmes, Gigi & Nadia Bartkiw

To become a member or just join us for lunch you may call 323. 876.8383

Membership Chair
Marjory Hopper

GROWTH Foundation

Keeping the Tradition of Service Strong

A cornerstone of the GROWTH Foundation after school program is service to the community. We are ever inspired by the rich tradition carried on by the Woman's Club of Hollywood, and we hope we are making the founders and current members proud. Over the past two years our volunteer activities have covered much territory including our front yard at the Club, our back yard at Runyon Canyon, west on the boulevard to Friends of Animals, and up the hill to Griffith Park. We've walked dogs, and picked up behind them. We've cuddled cats and cleaned out their litter boxes. We've created arts & crafts with younger kids. We've picked up trash all around town. We even had our own garbage can for a year!

Our longest running project takes us south on the 101 to serve the homeless and hungry of Skid Row at The Midnight Mission. The Midnight Mission was opened in 1914 with the aim of feeding the homeless and providing them with shelter and a chance at a fresh start. In nearly 100 years, the program has expanded to provide three meals a day to the hungry,



Lomika, Mission Volunteer, Sharon & Rita



Chef Teri & Sharon

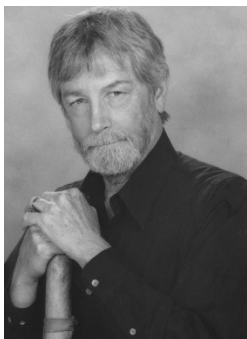
drug and alcohol recovery programs, job opportunities, life skills counseling, opportunities for GED certification and higher education, medical care, legal services, and more.

Since May 2005, the girls of GROWTH have been regular volunteers at The Midnight Mission. We happily suit up in our hair nets, plastic aprons and gloves and are honored to serve dinner with a warm smile to hundreds of people nearly every week. The clients and residents of the Mission are appreciative of our consistency and are always ready with a word of advice. We often hear, "See where you'll wind up if you don't stay *in* school and *off* drugs?!" It is eye opening indeed. The girls are proud to have received a Certificate of Appreciation at a dinner last year. They were applauded for logging over 400 hours as volunteers! Keep up the *great* work girls

GROWTH Founder,
-Deana Ruggeri

Book 1 'The Iliad'

Club Luncheon ~ Wednesday January 9, 2008 \$20.



Eldon Quick brings ancient literature to life in his performance of Book I of *The Iliad*.

The Iliad was created by Homer to be performed by a storyteller in front

of an audience of real people, not just to be read by scholars. As translated into English by Robert Fitzgerald it is a story full of character, emotion, action and even some humor.

Eldon performs in what he believes is the style of Homer. That is, as the characters in the story speak, the storyteller becomes the character. He speaks with the voice of the character, the passion and purpose of the character, and the story comes to life as an epic conflict between heroes and champions of an age when gods walked the earth with men.

Anyone who is curious or interested in the origins of Western Culture, its literature, its theater or its history will be interested in a presentation of *The Iliad*. It is interesting to see how deeply Homer probed into the nature of man and what motivates his behavior. It's interesting to see how Homer combined comedy with tragedy so early in the development of the craft of storytelling.

Almost everyone in the Western world knows of *The Iliad*, many have read it, as an assignment or for pleasure. But how many have seen it as a performance by a "singer of songs" as it was meant to be? True, seeing only Book One, is like sampling only the appetizer course at a great banquet, but at least one gets to taste the quality of the cook. If you love history, if you love theater, if you love literature, Eldon's performance of *The Iliad* is something you absolutely should see.

11:30 Champagne Reception
Noon Lunch
1:00 Program

Happy Birthdays January

Kandace Krapu 1/26

Aida Monte 1/31

Rebecca O'Brien 1/12

Jeri Pittman 1/29

Susan Quick 1/3

Kristina Shook 1/22

Nina Van Tassell 1/6

Welcome New Members

Anna Gossett Johnson

Seen at the Woman's Club



Hollywood High Choir at the December luncheon 2007.



Costume Designer Milton Magnum & Parliamentarian Susan Quick



Sebastian of Copenhagen Catering ~ Our favorite all time Chef!

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By Susan Quick

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