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★ **A LONG ASSOCIATION COMES TO AN END** ★
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★ **W**e were advised by the Sportsmen's Lodge that, after December 31, 2008, they would no longer be accepting reservations for Lunch. We do not know what will be done with the area, but Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters has had to search for a new venue large enough to accommodate our Friday gatherings. We had over 440 at the last Luncheon. The Search Committee looked at a lot of places, weighing price and area. As examples, we looked at Beverly Garland's Hotel on Vineland. We found 330 people is their maximum. We looked at Pickwick Gardens on Riverside Dr. They can take up to 500, but our Luncheon price would have to go to \$40 per person. The two hotels at Universal have plenty of room, but lunch would have to be at least \$50 per person. As a compromise, the PPB Board decided the next Luncheon would be held at the Castaway Banquet Center in Burbank on January 30. The price will increase \$5 to \$35. There will be free self parking as well as valet parking for \$3.50. The last Board meeting was held there, and the general opinion was that the food was very good. A negative is that it is located in the hills and is a little hard to find the first time. It was decided that price won out over conveyance. See map on page 2.
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WOW — WHAT A MEETING. Over 440 PPB members and guests gathered at the Sportsmen's Lodge November 21 to pay tribute to Hall of Fame Broadcaster **VIN SCULLY**, the voice of the Dodgers for 60 years. Joining Entertainment Chair **JEANNE DeVIVIER BROWN** and President **CHUCK SOUTHCOTT** to reminisce with and about **SCULLY** were Tommy Hawkins, pro-basketball and Radio broadcaster and former Communications Director of the Dodgers; Ned Colletti, Dodgers General Manager; Tommy Lasorda—Legend and former manager; Charley Steiner, Broadcaster for the Dodgers, formerly for the Yankees and ESPN; Jaime Jarrin, Broadcaster for the Spanish language Dodger Games since 1959; our own **HAL KANTER**; Board Member **A.C. LYLES**; former Dodger owner Peter O'Malley and Jonathan Winters doing a funny bit as a Cincinnati Reds fan.

A wonderful play to an enthusiastic audience. **SCULLY** accepted the **ART GILMORE** Lifetime Award from President **CHUCK SOUTHCOTT** with appreciation to the dais, PPB and the audience.

NEW BOARD MEMBER CHRISTOPHER THOMAS presented the Diamond Circle Award to Board Member **EDDIE CARROLL** known for his one-man show as Jack Benny in "Laughter in Bloom."

PPBER TALK SHOW HOST BILL MORAN will be hosting an afternoon with film star Tony Curtis at the American Jewish University on Mulholland, March 4 at 2:00 P.M. Tony also will be signing a book he has just had published telling of his private and public life.

I HOPE YOU DIDN'T MISS the great story on dancer-choreographer **NICHOLAS ROYCE** in a recent Emmy Magazine under Academy News. It tells of his many years as an in-demand dancer (complete with picture) as well as his many civic activities.

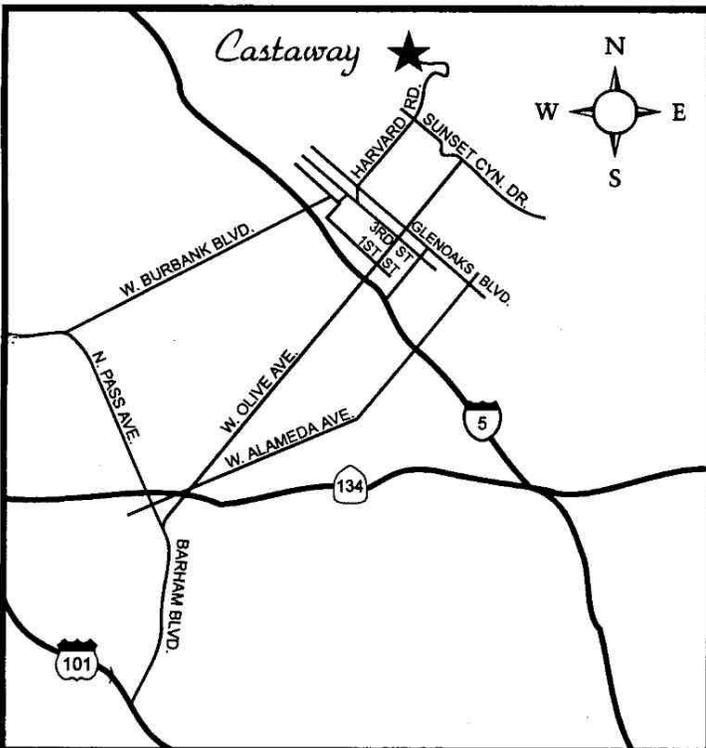
WITH THE HOLIDAYS UPON US, many think of sending flowers, but what about a plant? You'll remember the giver every time you water it.

TRAVELS — JOHN and CHRIS GRIFFIN celebrated their fifth anniversary in Honolulu, a tour around the islands sounds great. Board Member **JOHN COUCH** visited with family members in Stockton.

THAT SINGING PPB MEMBER PATTI PAGE tells us her autobiography, *This Is My Song*, is available at Barnes & Noble and Amazon. **PATTI** also has a new album which was re-released in November.

LEE RAY writes that new member **RAY PARKER** who was head writer on Art Linkletter's show and also wrote for Bob Hope, Dick Van Dyke and others has just finished his book on World War II, *Shot Down in Flames*. He and his wife, Ethel, have returned to their home in Santa Monica after many years in Colorado.

FRED LADD sent a conundrum about a book he and Harvey Deneroff have done for McFarland Publishers, *Astro Boy and Anime Come to the Americas* (an insider's view of the birth of a pop culture phenomenon).



Member and Friendship Chairman
KAY HENLEY
announces

New Members

TRENT CHRISTMAN
MICHAEL D. JOHNSON
DICK KERR
SUSAN SIMONS
MICHAEL R. STARK
ED STAUSS

Reinstated

MARILYN MITCHELL
BILL MORAN

We will remember with admiration

BEVERLY GARLAND
DICK MARTIN
DICK McDONOUGH
BILL STULLA

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THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT
NEWSLETTER IS
February 6, 2009

← At left, map showing directions to:
The Castaway Restaurant and Banquet
Center
1250 Harvard Road in Burbank