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To: Shirley Wild
Press-Telegram, Seen at the Scene

Who: Las Hermanas Auxiliary of Assistance League of Long Beach
A nonprofit volunteer organization serving the Long Beach community

What: Las Hermanas Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers

Where: Assistance League of Long Beach Philanthropic Center

Date: May 11, 2010

Number attending: 98

Photo caption: (Left to right) Pat Reep, President Assistance League of Long Beach; Melinda Martin, Past Chairman, Las Hermanas Auxiliary; Georgia Klinkers, Chairman, Las Hermanas Auxiliary; Faye Alperin, President-Elect, Assistance League of Long Beach

Descriptive details:

Las Hermanas Installs Officers with Help from Dr. Seuss

"Oh, the Places You'll Go" was the theme of the May 11 installation of new officers for Las Hermanas Auxiliary of Assistance League of Long Beach, and the first stop on the journey was the Philanthropic Center, the site of the fun-filled celebration.

During the festivities, each new officer was installed by a current officer in a laugh-invoking skit written by Jan Carlson (with thanks to Dr. Seuss). The installation culminated in "crowning" (with a white-feathered tiara) Georgia Klinkers, the new Las Hermanas chairman, who has been seen tirelessly working at almost every volunteer and social event since she joined Las Hermanas. Her husband, Roger, and her two delightful daughters, Raquel Perry and Laurie Cadieux, were there, listening to the accolades and giving proud hugs. Also with her were Melinda Martin, the outgoing

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chairman of Las Hermanas; Assistance League of Long Beach President Pat Reep; Faye Alperin, Assistance League President-Elect and the in-coming governing body members: Pam Kehret, Jean Tanaka, Florence Dodge, Beverly Quaife, Hashmat Saeed, Linda Reabe, Elizabeth Thometz, Carol Mehler, Pat Blaber, Melinda Martin, Cynthia Clark, and Cindy Summers.

On the tables were black cloths with red napkins, sparkling silver tinsel, flags, pictures, and memorabilia from various countries. Colorful travel posters and pictures gave members hints of the places they will go this year with Georgia as their guide. (If one looked closely, one could see Georgia somewhere in each picture.) Ninety-eight guests enjoyed Parmesan-encrusted chicken breasts, crisp fresh salads and rolls, followed by mouth-watering chocolate mousse. "Oh, the Places You'll Go" was, indeed, a great place to be, and a wonderful way to start off the new year for Las Hermanas.

Seen at the scene: Past Las Hermanas chairmen Florence Dodge, Virginia Osmera, Helen Sebring, Diane Reed, Marilyn Fortier, Grace Alexander, Carolyn Lockhart, Marilyn Shirley, Jan Miklas; chairman-elect Pam Kehret; Cindy Summers; Debra Barrad, Fay Denney, Bette Brightman, Pat Blaber, Linda Reabe, Marlene Swenson, Jean Tanaka, Anna Piercy, Miriam Garland, Gloria Sirotnak, Harriet Miller, Elizabeth Thometz, Barbara Vaught, Hashmat Saeed, Cynthia Clark, Beverly Quaife, Doris Ryder, Le Siemons, Carol Mehler, Marvell Gum, Pat Aiken, Jean Badgely, Jean Friedrichs, Marge Cammack, Linda Sinclair

FYI: Las Hermanas, an auxiliary of Assistance League of Long Beach, supports Assistance League and its philanthropic programs and contributes over 4,500 hours of service each year to its Assault Survivor Kits® program, providing clothing and toiletries to abuse victims.

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Mission Statement: Assistance League of Long Beach is a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to create a community of volunteers to identify and deliver philanthropic services