

FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE



NEWS FROM THE MANSION

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A Bi-Annual Newsletter

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Greystone Mansion is a public treasure in the City of Beverly Hills. **THE FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE** is a non-profit organization founded to preserve, protect and enhance Greystone Mansion, as well as promote ongoing activities for the enjoyment and enrichment of the public. All funds raised by the Friends go exclusively to the benefit of Greystone Estate.

Park Hours 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Standard Time
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Daylight Saving Time



Furnished Greystone Mansion living room showing original Minstrel Gallery, circa 1928.

— *Going on at Greystone* —

CATSKILLS WEST THEATRE ARTS DAY CAMP

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Extended care available.

Two four-week sessions:

Session 2 – July 23 – August 17

(310) 550-4753

JAZZ NIGHTS AT HISTORIC GREYSTONE

Evening Outdoor Concerts – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 26 - Jackie Ryan

Thursday, August 23 – Barbara Morrison

Thursday, September 27 – Larry Goldings

HIGH TEA ON THE TERRACE

*High Tea served on the terrace overlooking the City.
4:00 – 5:30. Advance registration recommended.*

Saturday, August 11 – Traditional High Tea
Catered by Urth Caffe

Tickets: (310) 550-4753. Limit - 10 tickets per person.
BH Residents \$35, Non-residents \$43

MUSIC IN THE MORNING

Children's Concerts - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

August 19 – Razzle Bam Boom

*September 16 – Gwendolyn & the Good Times Gang
Advance tickets only \$10. Children 2 and under free.*

Tickets: (310) 550-4753 – Information (310) 550-4796

SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK

Courtyard Theater

Sunday, August 5 – 4:30 - "Twelfth Night"

\$15 General Admission - \$12 Students/Seniors

Advance tickets recommended (310) 550-4753

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THE ULTIMATE GREYSTONE EXPERIENCE

Standing, left to right: Angela Wei Li, Phillip Roberts, Jasmine Roberts, Yukari Roberts, Lane Harrison. Seated, Barbara Roberts, Sean Cawley, Kaltoum Mouden-Knarr.

SILENT AUCTION WINNER ENJOYS GREYSTONE ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE

By Helene Harris

When he bid on the Silent Auction item described as “the Ultimate Greystone Experience” at the Cocktail Reception Gala for the 2006 Garden and Design Showcase, Phillip Roberts knew he would be in for a very special night. Dinner for 8 and a tour of Greystone didn’t begin to describe the evening the Friends of Greystone would provide for the winner of the silent auction.

On Thursday, April 12th, Phillip Roberts, his wife Yukira, daughter Jasmine and 5 guests were treated to a night to remember celebrating his birthday. A guided tour of the gardens and Greystone mansion led by Katherine Timme, Archivist Historian of Greystone, was followed by a cocktail hour and dinner in the Card Room graciously catered by Marisha and Koorosh of The Olympic Collection. Mel & Rose Wine, Spirits, Specialty Foods provided champagne and wine for the evening.

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Former Friends of Greystone President Lou Milkowski, Marty Geimer, Marjorie Fasman, former Mayor Steve Webb, Greystone Restoration Committee Chair Katherine Hyman Timme and current Mayor Jimmy Delshad at the Garden and Design Showcase Cocktail Reception.

THE FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE PRESENT THE MARJORIE FASMAN GREYSTONE RESTORATION AWARD

By Katherine Hyman Timme
Chair of the Greystone Restoration Committee

In 2006, Beverly Hills resident and long time Greystone champion Marjorie Fasman bestowed a generous donation to the Friends of Greystone Restoration Committee. With Mrs. Fasman’s donation, the Friends of Greystone were able to clean and restore the floor in the great dining room of the mansion, previously untouched in fifty years. Additionally, with the help of an art conservationist, the dining room’s marble fireplace has been renewed to its original state.

Mrs. Fasman has lived in Beverly Hills since the 1940s and has pursued causes all her life. She was a board member of The Greystone Foundation for almost 30 years. When I asked Mrs. Fasman why she became so active in the Greystone mansion, she reminded me of the time in the early 1960s when Henry Crown, the second owner of Greystone was planning to tear down the mansion and subdivide the property. She was not going to let that happen.

We thank Mrs. Fasman for taking that stand forty years ago and for her generous donation. As the first financial contributor to the restoration campaign, Friends of Greystone named an award after her, the **Marjorie Fasman Greystone Restoration Award** which future recipients will receive.



Planter/Fountain at the Knoll estate photo by Katherine Timme

RETURN OF A TREASURE

By Katherine Hyman Timme
FOG Historian/Archivist

The new owner of the famed “Knoll” estate in Beverly Hills, Lucy Doheny Battson’s new home after moving from Greystone in 1955, returned the beloved planter/fountain basin to Greystone. While occupying the grounds at Greystone from 1928 to 1955, the massive lead covered plaster and stoned filled basin served as an ornamental piece and planter. It graced the entrance to the gardens and was placed between the double stone staircases leading to the upper formal gardens.

At the “Knoll” the basin was placed in front of the house and transformed into a water fountain. It was set on a cobalt blue pedestal inside a pool. The rectangle shaped basin with cornered loops is supported by six lead covered lions. Two small cherubs sit on opposite sides on the edge of the basin holding their swans.

We are very appreciative of the return of this unique Greystone treasure. Other ornamental elements such as urns and metal planters were also returned.

BECOME A DOCENT

Some activities at Greystone are made possible in part because of a group of volunteers. Would you like to welcome visitors to the Garden & Design Showcase each fall? If you are interested, please call us at (310) 286-0119, write to The Friends of Greystone, P.O. Box 16938, Beverly Hills, CA 90209-2938 or email us at friends@greystonemansion.org.

FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE ORGANIZATION

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IN MEMORIAM

GRETA FURST
LEONARD GOLDMAN
STELLA STAMBLER

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FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE HISTORICAL LECTURE

Katherine Timme, Greystone Historian
“*Greystone, A Doheny Legacy*”
Reception and tour immediately after lecture
Sunday, September 23 – 2:00 p.m.

6TH ANNUAL GARDEN & DESIGN SHOWCASE

– *Cocktail Reception Preview* –
Thursday, October 25 – 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.
\$100 per person
Tours continue October 26 – November 11

For further information: 310.550-4796

Membership

We would like to cordially invite you to become a member or donor and support the ongoing restoration projects of this historical landmark. All funds go exclusively to the benefit of Greystone Estate.

- \$35.00 Bronze Level (Active Member)
- \$50.00 Silver Level (Supporting Member)
- \$100.00 Gold Level (Patron Member)
- \$500.00 Platinum (Lifetime Benefactor)
- \$2,500.00 Diamond (President's Circle)
- _____ Please accept my donation
- _____ I would like to volunteer/become more involved

All members receive:

- 15% Discount on Greystone Merchandise
- Subscription to Newsletter
- Guided Tour of Greystone Mansion & Gardens (subject to availability)
- The Greystone "Great Escapes" Calendar
- Opportunity to volunteer at Greystone events

Platinum & Diamond donors also receive:

- Invitations to special events

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