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POTLUCK BEGINS AT 1 P.M. –

HoL Business meeting follows

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Allied **Gardens Recreation Center**
GARDEN ROOM
5155 Greenbriar Ave., San Diego

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VISITORS WELCOME TO ATTEND!!!

For directions call:
619-713-2713 or 619-507-7156

~~~~~*IN MEMORIUM*~~~~~

Damella (Dee) C. Paza, 91, passed away on July 24, 2010. No services were held.

Dee was a long-time resident of La Mesa, C A.

She was a founding member of the House of Lithuania, then know as the Lithuanian- American Club of San Diego.

She was born February 23, 1919,and interred at Fort Rosecrans Cemetery on Point Loma with her late, husband, John.

She is survived by her son, John, daughter Judith Jeffery, and grandson Anthony and his wife, Tammy.

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2010 -- A Year of Commemorations

Being an American of Lithuanian Heritage is a unique position to be in.

There is a special bond as Lithuania has benefited from its association with the United States over the years. This is perhaps best symbolized by events on July 23, 2010, at Washington Square in Vilnius, Lithuania. There, the major political leaders of Lithuania, and the American Ambassador to Lithuania, gathered that day to give thanks to the United States for its continuous support of a free Lithuania, and opposition to the Soviet Union's take over of 70 years from the day. This gave Lithuania the ability to continue their independent diplomatic status during the 50 years of Soviet rule.

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History is never far away. In late July, Lithuanian Prime Minister Andrius Kubilius, led the Economy Minister and Social Care Minister, friends, including members of the Lithuanian Parliament, on a 700 kilometers (435 miles) bicycle trip to Belarus to visit the castles of the former Grand Duchy of Lithuania and meet with ethnic Lithuanians living in Belarus. During the trip the Prime Minister also met with the Belarusian prime Minister Sergy Sidorsky.

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On September 20, 2010, the Lithuanian Parliament remembered the 60th year of the Holocaust in Lithuania. On September 23 of each year a black ribbon is tied to every national flag to remember the destruction of the Vilnius Ghetto, home to the Litvaks, the Jews of Lithuania. On July 29, 2010 a working group, established by decision of Lithuanian Prime Minister Andrius Kubilius, met to discuss creating the Litvak Heritage Forum. Created over the centuries, the Litvak culture constitutes an integral part of the Lithuanian history and culture, said Vice-Minister Sarunas Adomavicius.

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