

## February 2008 Valentine's Dance

### FRIENDS OF THE POWERHOUSE TO HOLD 11th ANNUAL VALENTINE DANCE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW COMMUNITY SERVICES HEADQUARTERS

December 27, 2007. It was announced today by Carmen Fernandez, Chair of the Annual Dinner Dance Committee and Co-Chair Carol Fletcher that Friends of the Powerhouse is holding its 11th Annual Dinner Dance and Auction on Saturday, February 9 at the Powerhouse Community Center. Proceeds from the "Del Mar Sweethearts: Temperature Rising" event will be used for construction of the new Community Services/Lifeguard Headquarters at 17th Street.

"With increased usage of Del Mar beaches by local residents as well as more than two million visitors annually, Del Mar is sorely in need of a new Community Services/Lifeguard Headquarters. After 40 years, the current facilities have been outgrown and have fallen to disrepair, and we're pleased to partner with the City of Del Mar to raise funds for the new Headquarters," said Fernandez.

Among items to be auctioned by Sam Bass, local disc jockey at KYXY include: A champagne brunch and sail in San Diego Bay onboard a 38-foot classic Stephenson sailboat; rental of the Powerhouse with dinner for 10 people catered by Jake's; A Day at the Races for up to 10 people with lunch in the Directors Dining Room at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and a visit to the paddock and winner's circle; and the Del Mar Beach Package including a boat ride on the Lifeguard rescue boat, scuba lessons and surf lessons for two and a wagon filled with beach accessories.

"The temperature will be rising at the Powerhouse on February 9, and we're looking forward to enjoying a fun evening with old friends and also to welcoming new faces to our annual event as we raise funds for a very good cause. And, Jake's dinner of lobster and steak is sure to be sumptuous as always," said Fletcher.

Cocktails will start at 6:00pm, dinner will be followed by an auction of select items and dancing to the music of Java. Complimentary parking for the event will be offered at the King Lot across the street from the Powerhouse Community Center.

The Valentine Dinner Dance sold out last year with approximately 140 people attending the event. Tickets are available for this year's event by contacting Friends of the Powerhouse at (858) 755-5220. Tickets are limited and are \$100 per person for cocktails, dinner and dancing. Tables for 10 people are available for \$1,000. Tickets are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

The Friends of the Powerhouse was formed more than ten years ago to work with the City of Del Mar to preserve the Powerhouse building on Coast Boulevard. After several years of fundraising, the building was upgraded and transformed into the Community Center that exists today.

Subsequent to that, the Friends raised money for and worked with the City of Del Mar to construct the Tot Lot, located at the southern tip of Powerhouse Park. The Friends of the Powerhouse has also raised money for and funded many other beach-related projects including the beach-ready wheelchairs and continued maintenance and preservation of the Powerhouse Community Center.