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Holiday 2008

[www.4174.org](http://www.4174.org)

## President's Message

Dear Members,

The holiday season is fast approaching and our Christmas Luncheon is only a few weeks away. Marie Caverly and her Committee are very busy going over every last details to ensure we will have a memorable event. The amount of planning that goes into arranging the Holiday Luncheon is quite amazing. All of this requires a lot of work and dedication on the part of many members. My sincere thanks to Maire and her committee, Award Chair Phyllis Kushner, Philanthropic Chair Denise Kahoud, members of the Board and the many volunteers.

Also, a special thanks goes to our co-hosts and prize donors for their support and generosity and without whom this event would not be possible.

The members have selected "Groove with Me" as the charity who will be the recipient of the raffle funds. For the toy drive, we are supporting the same charity as we did last year, "Children's Village". Please don't forget to bring an unwrapped toy to the luncheon and to remember the older children. You may also make a donation, which will help provide sport outings for these children. You will find the "wish list" on our website.

Please plan to attend the 41-74 Club Holiday Luncheon that will be held on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at the beautiful Mandarin Oriental, New York located at Columbus Circle and Central Park.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Happy Holidays,

*Isabella*

President, 41-74 Club of New York

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 \* **Don't Miss the Event of the Season!** \*  
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 \* The 41-74 Club of New York presents \*  
 \* "Holidays in Central Park" Reception, \*  
 \* Luncheon and Fundraiser. \*  
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 \* **Friday, December 19, 2008** \*  
 \* **at 12:00 PM** \*  
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 \* **Mandarin Oriental, New York** \*  
 \* **80 Columbus Circle** \*  
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 \* **Active, Auxiliary & Retired Members - \$115** \*  
 \* **Prospective & Guests - \$135** \*  
 \* **Table for 10 - \$1350** \*  
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 \* **For more information visit** \*  
 \* **[www.4174.org](http://www.4174.org)** \*  
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## FROM THE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON COMMITTEE

We've had so many inquiries about the Luncheon that we made a special effort to get the invitations out early this year. You can also register on [4174.org](http://4174.org), so do RSVP soon to make sure you don't miss out on "the" Holiday Event of the New York area travel industry! Our generous co-hosts have come through again this year to make the Luncheon possible, and we thank them for their continuing support. Funds from the raffle will support our chosen charity **Groove with Me, Inc.** so remember to bring business cards and your checkbook – you'll want to have a chance to win one of the fabulous prizes, which include trips to Tahiti and Southern Africa, wonderful resorts in the Caribbean, Mexico and Barbados, a stay in France, hotels stays in Prague and Budapest, a cozy weekend in Lake Placid and stays at Mandarin Oriental and at the Kimberly. Look for the complete list of prizes on [4174.org](http://4174.org). We look forward to seeing you on December 19!

## Philanthropic Committee Update

By Denise Kahoud

Two charities will benefit from our philanthropic efforts this year. **"Groove With Me, Inc."** will be the recipient of the funds raised during the Holiday luncheon while **"Children's Village"** will benefit from our toy drive.

Following is a description of the two charities. The wish list, posted on [www.4174.org](http://www.4174.org) will help you purchase a gift for the teenagers of Children's Village.

**We thank you in advance for your support and generosity.**

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### The Children's Village

The Children's Village was founded in 1851 to shelter the homeless immigrant children of New York City's Lower East Side. It moved to its present headquarters in Westchester County in 1905, and today The Children's Village is a leader in protecting and nurturing at-risk youth across the New York region, serving more than 1,000 children in residential programs, and reaching approximately 6,000 children in the community each year. The Children's Village has a 150 acre campus in Dobbs Ferry, NY, which is the site of the agency's residential treatment school and administrative headquarters. The campus includes long-term residential treatment programs, a short-term crisis intervention center, temporary placement for youth awaiting a court disposition, and a public school that educates all of these children as well as day students from around the region. The Children's Village also maintains offices in Harlem and the Bronx in New York City, as well as program sites around Westchester County. For additional details, please visit: [www.childrensvillage.org](http://www.childrensvillage.org)

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The Board of 41-74 Club of New York would like to wish You and Your Loved Ones Happy Holidays and a healthy and prosperous New Year 2009!

### Groove With Me, Inc.

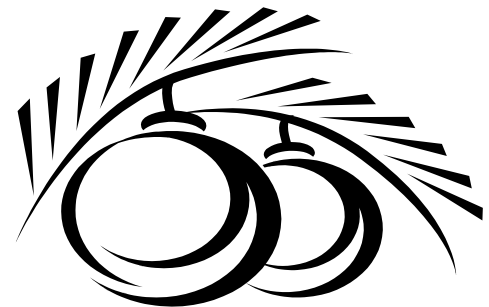
Groove With Me Inc. is a youth development organization using free dance classes and performance opportunities as a tool to instill in young women the leadership, pride, spirit of cooperation, creativity, joy and discipline needed to confront the adversity in their daily lives and throughout their future development. The program seeks to decrease teen pregnancy, truancy, crime and violence by nurturing youth, building self-confidence, offering positive choices and providing a safe place to go.

The organization's founder Abigail Rosin had a vision that a dance center could become a safe space where girls would discover their potential. Ms. Rosin started giving free dance classes in 1996 at a community center on the Lower East Side. In 2001, Groove With Me opened its own studio in Spanish Harlem. By mid-2002, due to the efforts of the Program Director and its 21 volunteers, the Organization is able to maintain over 220 students and 22 classes a week.

As self reported by the girls, their grades improved, moods were happier, they got into less trouble in school and found healthier ways to handle conflict and all the Seniors graduated from High School.

The Vision of a dance studio as a safe and enduring space for girls to express themselves and discover their capacities in a stable environment has been a great success for the Community.

For additional information about Groove With Me, Inc. please visit: [www.groovewithme.org](http://www.groovewithme.org)



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 \* **Special Thanks** \*  
 \* **to Our Generous Co-Hosts:** \*  
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 \* **Platinum: Tourism Ireland** \*  
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 \* **Silver: Crystal Cruises,** \*  
 \* **Micato Safaris,** \*  
 \* **Rail Europe &** \*  
 \* **Silversea Cruises** \*  
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 \* **Patrons: CSA Travel** \*  
 \* **Protection,** \*  
 \* **Happy Vacations &** \*  
 \* **Kimberly Hotels** \*  
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**Raffle to benefit  
 "Groove with Me, Inc."**

**Prizes**

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**Exotic Tahiti:** Round-trip air on Air Tahiti Nui (JFK or LAX to Papeete). Four nights in a spectacular over-water bungalow at the Four Seasons, Bora Bora. Round-trip inter-island air transfers: Papeete to Bora Bora. *Courtesy of Air Tahiti Nui, Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts, and Happy Vacations.*

**Amazing Africa:** Round-trip air to Johannesburg. Three nights at Stanley Safari Lodge, Zambia, including airport transfers and meals. Two nights at Chobe Game Lodge, Botswana, including meals and game activities and four nights at a selection of Desert & Delta properties in Botswana, including meals and game activities. *Courtesy of South African Airways, Stanley Safari Lodge and Delta Safaris.*

**Anguilla Deluxe:** Four days/three nights at Cuisinart Resort & Spa in a beachfront Junior Suite with Continental breakfast daily, dinner for two at the Chef's table with wine pairing, two 50 minute spa treatments. *Courtesy of The Cuisinart Resort an Spa.*

**C'est Chic:** Three nights in a deluxe room at Hotel de Sers in Paris and three nights at Hotel La Perouse in Nice, First Class France Rail pass. *Courtesy of Yellin Hotels and Rail Europe.*

**Go East!:** Three nights at the Ma Maison Andrassy Hotel Budapest and three nights at the Ma Maison Riverside Hotel Prague. *Courtesy of Passages of Distinction.*

**From Russia with...:** Three nights at the MaMaison Pokrovka Suite Hotel, Moscow. *Courtesy of Passages of Distinction.*

**Pamper Yourself:** Four days/three nights, all inclusive, at Le Sport – the Body Holiday, St. Lucia. *Courtesy of Sunswept Resorts.*

**Mexico Fiesta:** Three nights/four days, all inclusive, at Club Med Cancun or Punta Cana. *Courtesy of Club Med.*

**Beautiful Barbados:** Four days/three nights in a one-bedroom suite at Little Good Harbor, Barbados. *Courtesy of Destinations of Distinction.*

**St. Lucia Escape:** Four days/three nights, EP, at The Bay Gardens Beach Resort & Spa. *Courtesy of Destinations of Distinction.*

**Barbados Idyll:** Four days/three nights at The Crane Resort. *Courtesy of Destinations of Distinction.*

**Big Apple Escape:** Two-night weekend stay in a one-bedroom suite at the Kimberly. *Courtesy of The Kimberly Hotel.*

**Reconnect with Mandarin Oriental:** One night in Central Park view room with 1 hr treatment in The Spa at Mandarin Oriental and overnight parking. *Courtesy of Mandarin Oriental, New York.*

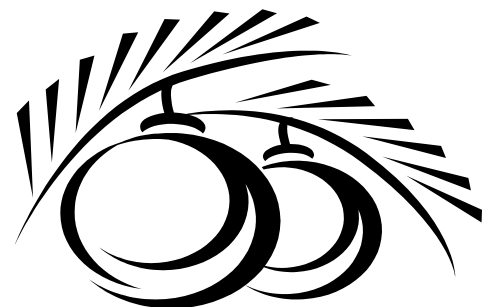
**Sun & Sand in Style:** Two nights at Mandarin Oriental Riviera Maya with breakfast and two nights in Mandarin Oriental Miami. *Courtesy of Mandarin Oriental.*

**British Elegance:** Three nights at the Mandarin Oriental, London with breakfast and dinner in Foliage. *Courtesy of Mandarin Oriental.*

**Bermuda Bliss:** Two nights at the Mandarin Oriental, Elbow Beach. *Courtesy of Mandarin Oriental, Elbow Beach.*

**Relax in Lake Placid:** Two nights with breakfast and dinner at High Peaks Resort. *Courtesy of High Peaks Resort.*

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Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg Hosts a Reception Honoring Hispanic Heritage Month  
Gracie Mansion, New York  
October 2, 2008



*Michael R. Bloomberg*

Club Member and past Treasurer **Iris Salazar** had the pleasure to meet personally with Mayor Bloomberg on October 2 '2008. The Mayor hosted a special reception honoring the Hispanic Heritage Month at the Gracie Mansion in New York.

**Club Announcements**

The 4174 Club is pleased to welcome our newest members:

- **Courtney Rowe** of Insight Vacations
- **Alexandra Wojcik** of AW Resort Marketing
- **Diane Dingler** of Avis Budget Group
- **Margarete Viera** of Travel Dynamics Int'l
- Auxiliary member **Jim Sorrell** of New York Travel Advisory Bureau

***Congratulations on your admission to our prestigious organization!***

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**Canadian Evening**

Our October 16th Meeting was held at Cibo Restaurant. Thanks to the generosity of our co-hosts from **Ontario Tourism**, this elegant evening was a great success. We had a very informative destination presentation by Sandra Rice of Ontario Tourism and enjoyed some very fine wines, shipped directly from Canada. All the guests received a copy of the cookbook, personally signed by the author Anita Stewart who talked about Canadian wine parings with the menu. Several great prizes were offered. Our thanks go to Yvonne Nichie, Second Vice President and Membership Chair, for arranging this evening.

**In Sympathy**

The Father of **Iris Salazar—Ricardo**, passed away in November 2008. The members of the 41-74 Club of New York would like to offer Iris and her family most sincere condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with Iris at this difficult time.

**Newsworthy?**

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