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Dear Friends,

Another incredible year! Good in many ways and not so good. It was with sadness that I saw the end of "The Guiding Light" and now we are learning that "As the World Turns" is leaving us next September. These are two iconic shows that have entertained millions for so many years. It's a real shame. "All My Children" is moving to Los Angeles, and that will leave "One Life to Live" the only daytime drama produced in New York. (My cat, Lucy, is lying on my keyboard and making it very difficult for me to type.) Fortunately, we are still on the air, and actually are moving to a new studio. The "All My Children" studio is much larger and better equipped, so we are going there, which is a good thing. I will miss our little building; it has been home for so long - but change is coming and we must adapt.

The year has been very good for the show - lots of good stories and some new characters have appeared. Unfortunately, we had to say good-bye to John Brotherton (Jared). He is a most delightful fellow and will surely be missed. He and his wife have moved back to Los Angeles, and I'm sure that he will have success there.

My own life has been good - we are all healthy and happy and looking forward to 2010. Personally I don't know how we got to 2010; I am still waiting for the world to fall apart and all the computers to crash when it was predicted for 2000. Every new year brings new challenges, and it will be interesting to see what we will all have to face. Our move to the new studio is scheduled for somewhere near the first week in February - I'm sure that I will end up in the old garage a few times before I remember that we don't work there anymore.

Our club has been going strong, as always, due to the impeccable leadership of Walter. We are entering our 38th year! What an accomplishment. I want to thank him so very much for all the work that he does, and also AJ, our editor, and Kit, our assistant editor. Without them, there would be no club, and no newsletter. The online newsletter has been very successful, and I have heard from so many more people because of its accessibility.

I wish all of you a very happy and healthy New Year, and may all you wish for, come true.

Love,
Erika

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