

January 2015 Asides



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Please Note New Start Time For Our Regular 2015 Meetings

January 15, 2015	General Meeting at SanTan
	6:00 PM Cocktails, 6 PM Meeting
February 19, 2015	General Meeting at SanTan
	6:00 PM Cocktails, 6 PM Meeting
March 10 -14, 2015	Southern Hospitality
March 19, 2015	General Meeting at SanTan
	6:00 PM Cocktails, 6 PM Meeting
April 7, 2015	End of Year Party

Happy New Year!

President's Message

Happy New Year! We look forward to seeing more of you at our general meetings this year.



This is the time of year when our thoughts turn to elections for SLCT. Feel free to talk to VP Jim Nielsen to find out more or visit SLCT's website for position descriptions and duties of the Board. Also remember to enjoy voting privileges or hold office you must be a member in good standing, so please ensure your dues are paid at this time.

Our attention turns to <u>Southern Hospitality</u> as Howard Hummel and his cast have already begun their rehearsals. In addition, Roger Edmonds and his cast are already out and about presenting <u>Horton Hears a Who</u> to local Chandler area Elementary Schools. SLCT is very productive even in what appears on the surface to be a "quiet" time for the theatre.

We are looking for helpers and hoping you are willing to step up to the plate. We are always looking for help in general so if you have a desire to participate more, feel free to contact me and let me know what you are interested in helping with. If you have questions with what a particular task entails, please feel free to contact me via e-mail. If I cannot answer your question, or there is a more appropriate person to answer your question, then I will pass it on. Thank you.

Sun Lakes Community Theatre General Membership Meeting Held in the San Tan Ballroom- Cottonwood November 13, 2014

Minutes of the October 9, 2014 General Meeting

Call to Order: Sandy Bocynesky called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Welcome: Mary Ellen was welcomed back. Four new members introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes of the October 9, 2014 Meeting: Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report submitted and presented by Kathy Jones was made, seconded and approved.

Murder at the Howard Johnson's: Approx. 540 tickets have been sold; 221 seats still left. Diana Nelinson reported tickets are available for sale at tonight's meeting. A snippet of the show was presented.

Perry High School: A group of students from Perry High School performed. Roger Edmunds presented SLCT's check for \$1,000 to their Drama Dept.

Murder at the Howard Johnson's Update: Diana Nelinson introduced the cast members and reported that rehearsals are going well. She announced there are sign-up sheets for tickets and ushers. Tickets will go on sale October 21.

Spring Show – Southern Hospitality: Howard Hummel announced the play is the last of a three part trilogy. Auditions will be December 13, 2014, 1:00pm in Room A-6, Cottonwood. Five men and eight women are in the cast. Back stage help is needed. Sign-up sheets are available tonight.

Holiday Party: Sandy Pallet announced the party will be held at Palo Verde on December 9, 2014, cocktails at 5:00pm, dinner at 6:00pm. Menu: Salad, rolls, Beef Stroganoff/noodles, carrots, peach cobbler. Cost of dinner: \$21.00. Cut-off date for payment and reservation: December 2. Checks may be given to Treasurer Kathy Jones tonight. Reminder will be via email.

Membership Challenge Reminder: President Sandy B. announced the challenge will be in effect until the end of December 2014.

Announcements:

<u>Dues Increase</u>: Board will increase annual dues to \$20 beginning January 1, 2015. Anyone paying prior to end of December, 2014 will be charged \$15 for the year 2015.

<u>High School Donation</u>: Sandy B. announced SLCT's donation to the high schools is \$1,000 again, plus a \$500 scholarship to be presented in April.

<u>Donations to SLCT</u>: Jim Nielsen announced that SLCT is a 501c3 organization and any donations are tax deductible. Donations can be received by credit card. Moneys will go toward capital improvement projects. A reminder will be sent to members via email.

<u>Childrens' Show</u>: Roger announced this year's childrens' show will be the opening act at Cottonwood Ballroom on December 5, after the golf cart parade. He also added we can use more cast members to fill non-speaking roles of animals.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned.

Southern Hospitality Update



Rehearsals will begin in January for the spring show, *Southern Hospitality*. Thank you to the 25 talented SLCT members who auditioned.

Ted Peck will be assistant director and Roxy Banta will be producer. All of the lead positions have been filled, but help is still needed selling tickets, ushering, painting, working backstage, passing out flyers, and setting and taking down pipe and drapes.

There is always something to do, so if you would like to be involved with this production, please let Howard Hummel know. It is going to be a fun production to work. Please get involved with your theater. You are needed!

The cast of *Southern Hospitaliy* is: Merrie Crawford, Ginger Henry, MaryEllen Buckwold, Phyllis Novy, Andrea Hummel, Michael Carter, Ted Peck, Michael O'Rourke, Janine Schneck, Harlie Youngblood, Sandy Ilsen, Sharon Guzman and John Crawford

The play opens March 10^{th} and runs through the 14^{th} . Tickets will go on sale February 16^{th} .

Southern Hospitality T-Shirts

Southern Hospitality T-Shirts will be ordered soon. Support SLCT and the spring show by wearing this stylish and fashionable shirt when you are out and about in the community or just buzzing around Phoenix. You will be the envy of everyone when you wear this smart vneck, short sleeve, pale yellow with green show-logo shirt.

This collector's item will be available for a short time only. Buy one for yourself or give as a late holiday gift. But wait, if you order today you are guaranteed delivery before the play opens. For only \$14 you can own this lasting treasure. For only 1 penny a day for 3.8 years.

Email Sandy Pallett with your size.

SLCT currently sends out periodic email blasts to provide general information about SLCT activities and would also like to send notifications about any theatre related events in the area. As an example, since we have been donors to the drama departments of the Chandler high schools, it is important that we support them with our attendance at their productions. Similarly, we have SLCT members who are occasionally involved in productions outside of Sun Lakes and it would be encouraging to support them with our attendance as well. If you know of any of these, please let us know by emailing the information to info@slctinfo.com

SLCT is a Well-Wired Organization

Please visit the SLCT website at http://www.slctinfo.com/. It has information on upcoming productions, club history, past productions, photo slideshows, and much more. It even has a Resources page full of links to job descriptions of all SLCT roles, our bylaws, and other important information. It also has a button on the home page to connect you to our Facebook account and a button that points to an up-to-date calendar of scheduled SLCT events. If you have ever had a question about anything in SLCT, this is the place to go. See you there.