

April 2020 Asides

Notes From The Board



FROM THE NEW 2020-21 BOARD

At our March 12 general meeting, two new Board members were installed for three year terms: **Jo Birlin** and **Jim Brown**.

The Board thanks our former members, Carol Horowitz (2 1/2 years) and Jim Nielsen (filling in for Carol for half a year) and Rick Whitney (3) **years**), for their many contributions during their times of service.

At an organizational meeting immediately following the general meeting, the 2020-21 Board elected/appointed officers to the following positions:

Elected: President – Bill Becker, Vice-President – Howard Hummel, Secretary – Jim Brown. Appointed: Treasurer – Cindi Decker, Assistant Treasurer – Greg Posniack.

Appointed to chairs of committees: EDUCATION, SOCIAL PROGRAMS & MEMBERSHIP: Mary Vandergriff & Sandy Pallett. TECHNOLOGY (website & ticket sales): Jim Nielsen.

TECH TEAM LIAISON: Jack Mitchell. BUDGET: Howard Hummel and Cindy Decker.

PUBLICITY: Jo Birlin.

Established a new FUND-RAISING committee: Howard Hummel & Jack Mitchell.



The new 2020-21 Board: Jim Brown, Mary Vandergriff, Jack Mitchell, Jo Birlin, Bill Becker, Sandy Pallett, Howard Hummel.

One item that arose during our organizational meeting discussions was summer meetings. This summer, four of our current Board members (plus Cindy, our Treasurer) indicated they would be away for large portions (or all) of the summer of 2020. Accordingly, there will be an item on the agenda for the April Board meeting to vote to not have any Board meetings during June, July, and August; then, we can re-start our monthly Board meetings again in September. At that time, the working committees, which can be communicating through the summer by phone and email developing their plans, will present them for implementation in the fall.

SLCT BOARD & CORONAVIRUS

Since all three Sun Lakes communities have developed a coordinated effort regarding facilities and amenities, there is no place the Board can meet. In addition, the "stay at home policy" means we should not try to meet face-to-face anywhere in the near future. Therefore, the Board will conduct business during the first week of each month of April and May through email. The use of email in making Board decisions is allowed in our Bylaws (Section 4.12), so we will proceed in this way for the near future. The information and action items will be emailed by the president or other members (such as Treasurer) to all the Board members, and then vote YES or NO on each item; the votes will be tallied by the president and emailed back to them.

Then, the Board Secretary, Jim Brown, will develop and type the Minutes, and he will arrange to have Jim Nielsen post them on the SLCT website for all our members to read. This is an awkward process, but the Board will proceed in this "virtual" manner until we can get back to face-to-face meetings in the fall.

From the President: Thank you to the other Board members who voted to elect me President for the 2020-21 year. I look forward to working with the other Board members and committees and individual SLCT members to move SLCT forward during this upcoming year, adjusting as the Coronavirus situation plays out locally and nationally.

Just so you know: I am approachable but I am not on any social media platforms so you can't contact me that way; you can contact me only by phone (480-296-3796) and by email (billbeckeraz@gmail.com). Information about committee work and our upcoming social activities will be available at our monthly meetings starting again in the fall, in the monthly *Asides* (Thank you, Sonja), and in the Board meeting minutes (Thank you, Jim Nielsen, and now for 2020-21 – Jim Brown) posted on the SLCT website. If you have suggestions or issues, please contact me. With your help and the mitigation of the virus crisis, we hope to have a productive theatrical year.

Bill Becker

These are trying times indeed. COVID-19 is certainly scary, impacting the way we all act and think. It certainly makes it hard to try to think ahead. But think ahead we must, as eventually this will pass and hopefully we all come through it just fine.

I am still looking for someone who would be willing to do some behind the scenes of Horton administrative work. The work is getting actors information, names, addresses, telephone numbers and their emergency contact information should something happen to them while performing in Horton. Thankfully, we have only needed that just one time in all the years we have been doing performances. Please let me know if you can help. Work can be done from home, will probably be the first or second week of December and then you are done. Thanks

I am also still looking for someone who would like the opportunity to begin to learn how to direct. By joining the team at the start, you will have the opportunity to become familiar with the script, actors for season and the blocking. Please contact me if you are interested by email @ basil4sandy@gmail.com. It's not too early to let me know. We will begin rehearsing right after Thanksgiving but it will allow plenty of time for me to get a script to you and for you to begin to become familiar with the play. Thanks

Sandy Bocynesky



As the Sunshine person, I look forward to keeping you informed of different events. If you have any life-cycle information for our fellow Theatre Group members, births, deaths, illness, graduations, please contact me, Barry Berger at lumenprobb@yahoo.com or (480)883-2071.



Hello Everyone!

If you are reading this, we are assuming you are surviving the boredom of self-quarantine! Never fear, we will be coming to your rescue very soon! The PROGRAM, EDUATION AND HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE is now THE PROGRAM, EDUCATION AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE forming a more informative and expansive committee that will enable us to better serve our members.

We are going to put a lot of emphasis into getting new members and are looking for support from our membership. If you are interested in joining us on the Membership Committee, let Mary Vandergriff or Sandy Pallett know. We are planning to combine our End of Year Party and our Summer Social, and as soon as possible, have the biggest celebration we can put together for our theatre members!

So hang in there, and watch for future updates on our events, meetings, socials and plays. Remember this to will pass!

Your Committee Chairs or (Partners in Crime)

Mary Vandergriff and Sandy Pallett

Attention All Committee Chairs:

I will be maintaining the on-line calendar on our website, www.slctinfo.com so we can have a central and accurate place to be able check on up-coming events and dates. Please email me, Barry Berger, at lumenprobb@yahoo.com with meeting, performance and any other dates you might feel are pertinent. Barry Berger



Sun Lakes Community Theatre Calendar			
Horton Hatches An Egg	April 11	Linda's Easter Show	
	9a.m.	Cancelled!	
"Laugher is The Best	May 6-10, 2020	SLCC	
Medicine"	4:00 pm Happy Hour	Postponed	
	5:00 pm Show		
"Red Velvet Cake War"	July 12, 2020 Matinee,	San Tan Ballroom	
	1:00 p.m.	Postponed until Summer of	
	July $15 - 18$ Evening,	<u>2021</u>	
	7:00 p.m.		

Sun Lakes Community Theatre Board

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Fund-raising Committee Howard Hummel and Jack Mitchell	Treasurer, Budget and Grants Cindi Decker (non-voting member)	Greg Posniack Assistant Treasurer
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Other Important Roles

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