



Happy Groundhog's Day, Valentine's Day, and President's Day



If You Read To The End Of The Asides, You Will Be Among The First to Know
All The Important Dates And Events Of SLCT!

Message From Our President



Diana Nelinson's "Catch Me If You Can" will be performed April $27^{\rm th}$ to May $1^{\rm st}$.

Rehearsals are starting shortly. We hope to see you all there.

Sandy Bocynesky will be directing our summer show, "Last Round-up of the Guacamole Queens" to open on 7/8/22. Auditions will be held the first week in April.

We have been notified that we have won a grant from the Arizona Organizational Relief Fund which we should receive by April 30th. It is to be used for operational expenses.

Our "ImproVables" show at Phase One on February 5th, was sold out almost immediately after going on sale. Can't wait til they announce their next show so I can get to see them!

We now have a publicity committee that will be coordinating all publicity for our activities. Please contact Kate King-Turner if you'd like to help.

Our next meeting will be on February $14^{\rm th}$ in the Saguaro room with cocktails at 6:00 and the meeting at 6:30. We will be entertained by the drama departments of our local High Schools. We ask that everyone who attends has been vaccinated.

We are also still planning some classes and some additional sessions of play reading and storytelling.

I hope everyone had a joyous, happy and healthy holiday season! Greg Posniack President



New Member Welcome * Date Change *

Please join the Board for an evening of wine, cheese, and discussions about your interests and theatre experiences

WHEN: Thursday, *February 24 - 5:00

pm

WHERE: At the home of Sandy Pallett 10020 E Arrowvale Drive (In Oakwood)





Important

If you haven't done it already, please send in your dues. A check for \$20.00pp payable to SLCT

would help support your Community Theatre
Please mail your check to:
Cindi Decker
8921 E Olive Lane N
Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

At Our Next General Membership Meeting





WANTED



YOU



TO RUN FOR THE SLCT BOARD!

Terms are up for three of our SLCT board members.

SO....

We are looking for SLCT members who are interested in running to replace them for a three year term. This is a great opportunity to help guide SLCT into the FUTURE. If you are interested or want more information, please contact Sandy Pallett at 480-326-2709 or palletts32@aol.com

It also can be fun!!





The spring show is ready, set, a GO! Director Diana Nelinson is pleased to announce her upcoming mystery/thriller/comedy "Catch Me If You Can" to be performed Wednesday, April 27 through Sunday, May 1, 2022. The shows will be in the San Tan Ballroom in Cottonwood. Show times are 7pm Wednesday through Saturday and Sunday's matinée will be at 1pm. Cast changes have occurred due to timing of the performances with Kate Turner playing the lead role of Elizabeth Corbin and Maria Blanding assuming the role of Mrs. Parker. Other cast members remain the same with Lorin Hicks ably acting as Daniel Corbin; Mario Carranza religiously playing Father Kelleher; Rich Paladino slyly being Detective Levine; Michael Carter portraying Sidney, the delicious deli owner and Dennis Dannehl owning the part of Mr. Parker, a rich car dealer and owner of the chalet in which the mystery unfolds. This play, based on a couple on their honeymoon, starts off with the husband attempting to get the local authorities to look for his missing wife. When the town's clergyman shows up with a woman claiming to be the missing wife, things get interesting. Is Mr. Corbin losing his marbles? Is Mrs. Corbin, in fact, planning the demise of her new husband? Can the Detective get to the bottom of this mystery? It's a fast moving, spine-tingling story that you won't want to miss. Tickets will be available closer to show time, online and in person sales to be announced in March. But mark those days now so you don't miss out!

Diana Nelinson









The Improvables Gang

We are so excited that our February 5th show is soldout! Tickets went on sale Jan. 3rd, and 5 days later we were completely sold out! We will have an audience of 100 people.

Improv is both fun and challenging. We are working very hard every Monday to add to our repertoire of games and to expand our skill set. We can't wait to perform!

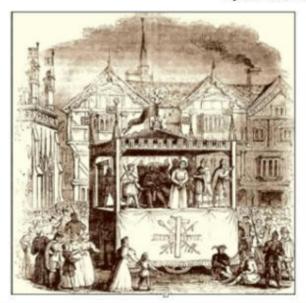


The Improvables will be performing at Cottonwood CC, in the Saguaro Room, on Friday, April 22nd! The evening will also include a buffet dinner. Almost all of the games will be new - this show will not be a repeat of the SLCC show! A limited number of tickets will be available. Tickets will go on sale in March. More information to follow!

TRUE FACTS!!!

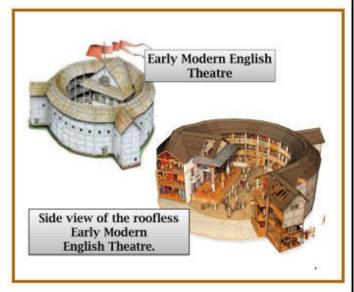
Part 2: What Your Mom Never Told You About Stage Lighting!

by MJ Clement



Drama Festivals
played from
dawn until dusk.
Performances took
place strictly
outside, lit only by
the sun!

Early Modern
English theaters
were roofless, even
though they were
considered indoor
theaters. This
allowed natural
light to be utilized
for lighting the
stage.





Last Round-Up Of The Guacamole Queens

Casting and Script Info

A description of the play is below. I am grateful to those who took a script at the January meeting. Thank you. If you didn't get one and would like to read it for try outs, there are 9 female parts and 4 male parts. Females include: Cee Cee, Jimmie Wyvette, Peaches, Gaynelle, Lamerle, Dixie, Ennis, Della and Tanzie. Males include Aubrey, Dewey, Raynerd, and Grover.

The Verdeen Cousins are attempting to hold the best ever, last high school reunion before the building is torn down. They also want very much to impress a governor's aide with their party-planning capabilities so that they can nab the job of throwing the governor's birthday bash which is very needed to keep their business going. Amid all this is Uncle Aubrey who is romancing two octogenarian sisters at once, and Aunt LaMerle, who is determined to be crowned the final and forever Guacamole Queen of Sweetgum High. But tons of nonsense ensues as more delightful and nutty characters add to the chaos that is ensuing such as Dewey Davenport and his friend. Most of the action is in and around Wide Bride, a bridal boutique on Main Street in Sweetgum Texas. That shop title alone brings a smile to the lips.

Casting try-outs will be the first week of April, however if you are away at that time (and I know a couple may be), we can arrange something to meet both our timeframes. Those interested in obtaining a script may contact me directly at basil4sandy@gmail.com.

Rehearsals will begin in May starting the week of the 23rd as of now. The specific days and times will be provided to the cast selected. Many thanks.

Sandy Bocynesky

Sun Lakes Community Theatre Board

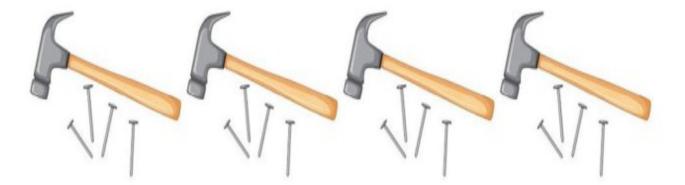
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Set Construction Orientation & Spring Show Build

Led by long-time SLCT members Jack Mitchell and John Crawford, interested members will be taken through the experience of planning and building a set for the upcoming Spring show. Learn the process of how sets get from concept to the final production for our SLCT shows. Please contact Jack Mitchell at

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and you will be contacted directly for meeting arrangements. We appreciate your assistance!



SLCT GENERAL MEETING MINUTES January 13, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm by Vice President Sandy Pallett.

No new members were in attendance. We now have 99 total members.

Dues for SLCT are still \$20 per year. Cindy Decker was present to collect dues.

A calendar for the year 2022 was created and handed out to everyone.

There will be a new member welcome reception at 5 PM Jan. 27 at Sandy Pallett's home.

We will elect 3 new SLCT board members at the general membership meeting on March 10, 2022. Members who are interested in running should contact Sandy Pallett. At least a year of SLCT membership is recommended, but newer members can run and are encouraged to do so. At the February meeting, the candidates will have a chance to introduce their backgrounds to the membership.

Spring show - Diana Nelinson

The show "Catch Me If You Can" is cast and scheduled to run April 27 to May 1. Volunteers are needed to build the set under the supervision of Jack Mitchell and John Crawford. Many of the rehearsals will be held at Diana's home.

The cast includes Kate King-Turner, Lorin Hicks, Mario Carranza, Rich Paladino, Dennis Dannehl, Michael Carter, and Pat Wolfe.

Summer show

Sandy Bocynesky will direct the summer show. It is called "Last Round-up of the Guacamole Queens" and opens 7/8/22. Auditions will be in April and will consist of 9 female and 4 male roles.

Fall show

We still don't have a Fall show planned. We need a director to agree to do one. Also, we hope to discover members interested in assisting our directors, hopefully with the goal of directing in the future.

ImproVables - Phyllis Novy

Phyllis announced that the ImproVables show at Phase 1 on February 5, 2022 is sold out! Tickets were limited to 100.

She also announced that another ImproVables show has been scheduled for April 22, 2022 in the Cottonwood Saguaro Room. The tickets will include a buffet dinner and seating will be limited.

Entertainment

Roger Edmonds held a trivia game about Broadway musicals. For each question, he played a snippet of a Broadway tune and we had to name the tune and the show from which it came.

The February meeting will include guests from the Chandler high schools to entertain us.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm



Calendar for 2022 - 2023

Date	Activity	Location
February 5 (5:30pm) 8 (9:00am) 10 (6:00pm) 24 (5:00pm)	The ImproVables Board Meeting General Membership Meeting New Member Reception	SLCC Arizona Room Zoom CW Saguaro Room Sandy Pallett's Home
March 8 (9:00am) 10 (6:00pm)	Board Meeting General Membership Meeting/Board of Directors Election	Zoom CW Saguaro Room
April 12 (9:00am) 14 (5:00pm) 27 to 5/1	Board Meeting End of Year Membership Event/Happy Hour Spring Show – Catch Me If You Can	Zoom PV Patio CW SanTan Ballroom
May 10 (9:00am)	Board Meeting	
June 14 (9:00am)	Board Meeting	
July 12 (9:00am) 7 to 12	Board Meeting Summer Show – Last Round-up of the Guacamole Queens	CW SanTan Ballroom
August 9 (9:00am) 14 (5:00pm)	Board Meeting Summer Social Cool Down	OW Poolside (?)
September 13 (9:00am)	Board Meeting	,
October 11 (9:00am) 13 (6:00pm)	Board Meeting General Membership Meeting	CW Saguaro Room
November 6 to 12 8 (9:00am) 10 (6:00pm)	Fall Production Board Meeting General Membership Meeting	CW Saguaro Room
December 13 (9:00am) 13 (?)	Board Meeting Holiday Membership Dinner	
2023 January 10 January 12 March	Board Meeting General Membership Meeting Spring Production	





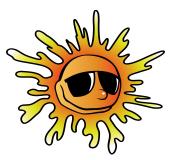
Our Benefactors



SLCT has been awarded an \$8,000 AZ Organizational Relief Grant through *Arizona Commission on the Arts.* This money is to be used to offset expenses we incurred during the pandemic *when we did not have any revenue coming in.* We will receive the check sometime between 1/17 and 4/30.

Cindi Decker, Treasurer

Sunshine & Calendar





As the Sunshine and Calendar guy, 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, as well as calendar events, please contact me.

Barry Berger at lumenprobb@yahoo.com or 480-883-2071

I am the editor of the ASIDES newsletter. Any and all articles, announcements, events and such should be sent to me at: lumenprobb@yahoo.com
Barry Berger

THE NEXT LIVE AND IN-PERSON GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE ON 2/10/22 IN COTTONWOOD'S SAGUARO ROOM. COCKTAILS AT 6PM, WITH THE MEETING AT 6:30PM.